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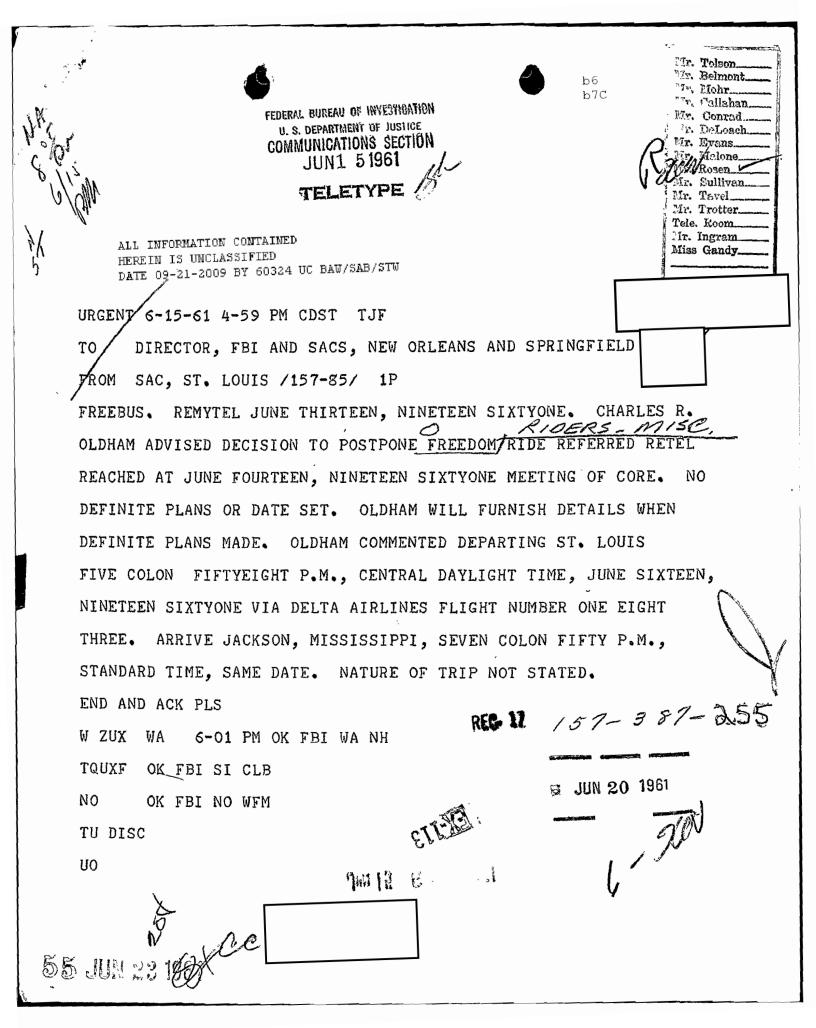
QUOTE FREEBUS UNQUOTE, RACIAL MATTERS. CORE, RACIAL MATTERS. b7C REJKTEL ONEZERO ONE ONE P.M. SIX FIFTEEN SIXTY-ONE. FIRST SECTION, GROUP ONE, PROFESSIONAL GROUP, CONSISTING OF THREE WM, TWO CM, ONE WF AND ONE CF ARRIVED GREYHOUND BUS STATION JACKSONVILLE FIVE FIFTY A.M. TERMINAL FACILITIES AGAIN TESTED, NO INCIDENTS AND NO SPECTATORS. BUS CONTAINING GROUP DEPARTED SIX THIRTEEN A.M. SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE TAMPA ONE ONE FIFTY-TWO AM. WITH FIFTEEN MINUTE REST STOP OCALA, FLA. AT NINE A.M. BUS IDENTIFIED AS NUMBER SIX TWO THREE FOUR, BEARING NINETEEN SIXTY-ONE FLA. LICENSE SIX EIGHT S EIGHT NINE SIX. SECOND SECTION PROFESSIONAL GROUP SCHEDULED TO DEPART NINE BUREAU AND TP WILL BE ADVISED OF DEPARTURE. TIM 1,2 TP TO BE ADVISED THIS MSG. **意识TINCSORIBITS** 

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QUOTE FREEBUS UNQUOTE, RACIAL MATTERS, CORE, RACIAL MATTERS. SECOND SECTION RE JACKSONVILLE TEL SIX FORTYSEVEN AM TODAY. GROUP ONE PROFESSIONAL GROUP CONSISTING OF THREE CM. TWO WM, ONE CF, AND ONE WF ARRIVE GREYHOUND BUS STATION JACKSONVILLE EIGHT TWENTYFIVE AM TODAY. TERMINAL FACILITIES AGAIN TESTED. NO INCIDENTS. LEFT JACKSONVILLE NINE FIFTYSIX AM TODAY ON GREYHOUND BUS IDENTIFIED BY NUMBER M S NINE SIX ONE BEARING SIXTYONE FLORIDA LICENSE SIX EIGHT S FIVE EIGHT

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WHITE FEMALE COLORED FEMALE
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COLORED MALE DAYTONA BEACH GROUP
DEPARTED BUS STATION EIGHT TWENTYSEVEN A. M. IN SAME BUS WHICH WAS
SCHEDULED TO DEPART EIGHT TWENTY A. M. AT PRESENT THIS GROUP HAS
TICKETS TO DOTHAN, ALABAMA, BUT IS QUITE UNDECIDED RE ITINERARY
AFTER ARRIVAL TALLAHASSEE. HAVE INDICATED THEY MAY PROCEED
FROM TALLAHASSEE TO BAINBRIDGE, GEORGIA, AND RETURN TALLAHASSEE
TODAY. MAY STAY IN TALLAHASSEE TONIGHT AND GO BY BUS JUNE
SIXTEEN TO GAINESVILLE, OCALA AND TAMPA, FLORIDA. PRIOR TO
AND DURING TIME THESE GROUPS IN JACKSONVILLE BUS STATION,
STATION WAS QUIET AND NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED. SIX PLAIN
CLOTHES POLICE OFFICERS, A LARGE NUMBER OF NEWS REPORTERS
AND ABOUT TEN SPECTATORS MADE UP CROWD OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTY
PERSONS IN STATION. OBSERVED IN THE STATION WAS
MEMBER FLORIDA KLANS, WHO SIMPLY WATCHED. ALSO OBSERVED IN
STATION WAS SI SUBJECT, PITTSBURGH
COURIER, WHO WAS TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS. BOTH GROUPS WERE MET
BY ACTIVE LOCAL MEMBERS NAACP.
BOTH GROUPS USED REST ROOM AND RESTAURANT FACILITIES ON
INTEGRATED BASIS. NOTE. BUS STATION HAS BEEN INTEGRATED FOR
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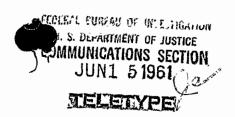
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FREEBUS, RM. RE JACKSONVILLE TEL TODAY. JACKSONVILLE OFFICE ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY THAT DAYTONOA BEACH GROUP LEAVING TALLAHASSEE,

FLA. BY BUS APPROXIMATELY TWO FIFTEEN PM, ARRIVING THOMASVILLE,

GA. THREE ZERO FIVE PM. INFORMATION IMMEDIATELY GIVEN TO COP

NOAH A. STEGALL -NA-, THOMASVILLE, GA. CHIEF STEGALL ADVISED

DAYTONA BEACH GROUP ARRIVED APPROXIMATELY THREE PM TODAY, TRIED

WHITE RESTROOMS AND WHITE WAITING ROOMS WITH NO INCIDENTS.

STATED THEY BOUGHT RETURN TICKETS TO TALLAHASSEE, FLA. AND LEFT

THREE TWENTYTWO PM ON TRAILWAYS BUS. ABOVE INFORMATION

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CONTACT ORGANIZATION STUDENT NON HYPHEN VIOLENCE COORDIN	, / I.
COMMITTEE WHICH IS WORKING WITH NASHVILLE CORE. IS	TO RECEIVE
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FROM SAC, SAVANNAH /157-83/

POSSIBLE NEGRO DEMONSTRATIONS, COLUMBIA, S.C., JUNE SIXTEEN, SIXTYONE,

RACIAL MATTERS. REMYTELS JUNE FIFTEEN LAST CAPTIONED POSSIBLE NEGRO DEMONSTRATIONS, GREYHOUND BUS STATION, COLUMBIA, S.C., JUNE FIFTEEN,

National Academy SIXTYONE, RM. CHIEF J. PRESTON STROM, NA, SCLED, COLUMBIA, S.C.,

ADVISED THIS AM THAT APPROXIMATELY FORTY NEGRO FEMALE AND MALE FREEDOM W15C

RIDERS ARRIVED COLUMBIA DURING DAY OF JUNE FIFTEEN AND HELD MEETING AT

ZION BAPTIST CHURCH, COLUMBIA, BEGINNING AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT PM,

LAST NIGHT, CONCLUDING AT APPROXIMATELY ONE THIRTY AM TODAY.

EXPRESS CONSIDERABLE DISAPPOINTMENT AT TURNOUT OF FREEDOM RIDERS,

POINTING OUT THERE WAS NO REPRESENTATION FROM SEVERAL CITIES IN THE

STATE AND DELEGATIONS OF RIDERS FROM CITIES REPRESENTED WERE MUCH

SMALLER THAN EXPECTED. LEADERS ANTICIPATED DELEGATIONS OF TEN TO TWENTY

FROM EACH CITY, WHEREAS IT WAS POINTED OUT THE LARGEST DELEGATION FROM

DISAPPOINTMENT WAS ALSO EXPRESSED ANY CITY WAS THREE OR FOUR RIDERS.

U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE AS TO DEMONSTRATION OF FREEDOM RIDERS. TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY ONE

REGBLE WERE IN ATTENDANCE AT MEETING HELD AT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH.

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PROGRAM OF MEETING CONSISTED OF SCRIPTURE READING BY DR. J.B. JOWERS, NEGRO, WHOSE IDENTITY UNKNOWN - INVOCATION BY REV. MATTHEW D. MC CULLUM. NAACP LEADER FROM ORANGEBURG, S.C. - SONG QUOTE CLIMBING JACOB-S LADDER END QUOTE - TOPIC. QUOTE WHY ARE WE HERE END QUOTE GIVEN BY REV. H. P. SHARPER, FLORENCE, S.C., WHO IS LEADER OF NAACP AND FORMER STATE PRESIDENT. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER WAS I. DE QUINCY NEWMAN, FIELD SECRETARY, NAACP. AND OTHER SPEAKER LISTED AS MEDGAR W. EVERS, WHOSE IDENTITY UNKNOWN. ALL IN ATTENDANCE AT MEETING WERE NEGROES AND MEETING SPON-SORED BY S. C. CONFERENCE OF NAACP IN SUPPORT OF CORE AND FREEDOM RIDERS AND TOTAL COLLECTION OF EIGHTY DOLLARS TAKEN UP DURING MEETING. CONTEMPLATES MEETING TEN THIRTY AM TODAY AT CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, COLUMBIA, AFTER WHICH TIME THEY PLAN TO GO TO SESQUI STATE PARK WHICH IS OPEN ONLY TO MEMBERS OF WHITE RACE AND IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY TEN MILES NORTH OF COLUMBIA, S.C., ON U. S. HIGHWAY ONE, WHERE THEY WILL ATTEMPT TO USE ALL PARK FACILITIES. INCLUDING SWIMMING IN THE LAKE. CHIEF STROM ADVISES PARK WILL BE CLOSED TODAY TO EVERYONE. RECORDING OF MEETING HELD AT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH. CIC NOTIFIED. LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS. AM COPY TO CHARLOTTE. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF PERTINENT DAYS DEVELOPMENTS.

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FROM SAC. MEMPHIS /157-140/

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FREEBUS. REMYTEL JUNE FIFTEEN LAST. GROUP OF BUS PASSENGERS

BELIEVED IDENTICAL PERSONS MENTIONED MYTEL ARRIVED MEMPHIS VIA GREYHOUND SIX THIRTY AM JUNE SIXTEEN INSTANT FROM NASHVILLE. TENN. COMPOSED OF THREE WHITE FEMALES AND TWO NEGRO MALES. BUS DRIVER ADVISED THIS GROUP FRATERNIZED ON BUS EN ROUTE. SAME GROUP DEPARTED MEMPHIS VIA GREYHOUND BUS, SEVEN FIFTEEN AM TODAY EN ROUTE JACKSON, MISS., TO ARRIVE JACKSON TWELVE THIRTYFIVE PM. NO INCIDENT IN MEMPHIS NOTED AND NO NEGROES ATTEMPTED TO USE FACILITIES OF WHITE RESTAURANT. IN BUS STATION, ALTHOUGH DID USE WHITE WAITING ROOM. SOME INDICATION THIS GROUP JOINED BY WHITE MALE WHO ACCORDING TO MEMPHIS BUS STATION ATTENDANT ARRIVED MEMPHIS VIA SOME UNKNOWN MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION. THIS WHITE MALE OBSERVED

BOARDING JACKSON BUS FROM MEMPHIS APPEARED TO HAVE JOINED INSTANT GROUP AND FURTHER DESCRIBED AS AGE TWENTY, FIVE FEET

NINE INCHES. ONE FIFTY LBS., DARK BROWN HAIR, CLEAN CUT

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FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS <u> 15</u>7-264

FREEBUS.

STAFF REPORTER, JACKSON DAILY NEWS

JACKSON, MISS., ADVISED TODAY THAT WILLIAM M. KUNSTLER FIVE ONE ONE FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY WHO IDENTIFIED SELF AS A COOPERATING ATTORNEY OF AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION HELD A NEWS CONFERENCE AT FOUR PM CST JUNE SIXTEEN AT OFFICE OF JACK YOUNG, JACKSON ATTORNEY. KUNSTLER STATED HE HAS BEEN RETAINED BY ELIZABETH PORTER WYCKOFF. IS FREE RIDER ARRESTED TRAILWAY TERMINAL JUNE TWO CURRENTLY CONFINED HINDS COUNTY JAIL. STATES INTENDS TO FILE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS IN USDC JACKSON SEEKING WYCKOFF-S RELEASE FROM STATES WILL ATTEMPT TO PERSONALLY DELIVER WRIT TO USDJ S. C. MIZE AT MIZE-S HOME IN GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI NIGHT OF JUNE SIXTEEN OR MORNING OF JUNE SEVENTEEN. KUNSTLER ALSO ADVISED THAT ATTORNEY NAMED OLDHAM FROM ST. LOUIS IS FLYING TO JACKSON TONIGHT WITH SIMILAR HABEAS CORPUS WRITS SEEKING RELEASE REC- 44 OF RALPH EDWARD WASHINGTON AND ROBERT L. JENKINGS, TERMINAL FREE RIDERS ARRESTED JACKSON AIRPORT JUN 20 1961

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS JACKSONVILLE AND TAMPA

FROM SAC, SAVANNAH 1157-273/

FREE BUS, RACIAL MATTERS, CORE - RACIAL MATTERS. REMYTELS TODAY. SECOND SECTION, GROUP ONE /PROFESSIONAL GROUP/, STOPPED IN HINESVILLE, GA., TWO TWENTYSEVEN TO TWO THIRTY PM, AND JESUP, GA., THREE ZERO SIX TO THREE ZERO EIGHT PM, AND PASSED THROUGH FOLKSTON, GA., CROSSING THE GA.-FLA. STATE LINE ON HIGHWAY US ONE AND TWENTYTHREE AT FOUR TWENTY FOUR PM TODAY. FREEDOM RIDERS DID NOT LEAVE BUS AT INSTANT LOCATIONS DRIVER OF SIXTYONE FORD, GA. LIC. AND NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED.

IDENTIFIED AS ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWSMAN BY GBI. LETTERHEAD SUMMARIES OF FREEDOM RIDERS

SAVANNAH DIVISION, WILL FOLLOW.

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FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-246/ 1 P

FREEBUS, RACIAL MATTERS, CORE, RACIAL MATTERS. REMYTEL FIVE
FIFTYFOUR P.M., JUNE SIXTTEN INSTANT. RE SECOND SECTION. PROFESSIONAL GROUP. THREE MEMBERS OF GROUP ARRESTED OCALA, FLA.
EARLIER TODAY RELEASED ON ONE THOUSAND DOLLARD BOND EACH POSTED

BY AND DEPARTED OCALA WITH ON GREYHOUND

BUS M DASH FIVE FIVE ONE THREE AT SEVEN TEN P.M. SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE TAMPA AT EIGHT FIFTYFIVE BUT RUNNING LATE. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED. TAMPA ADVISED.

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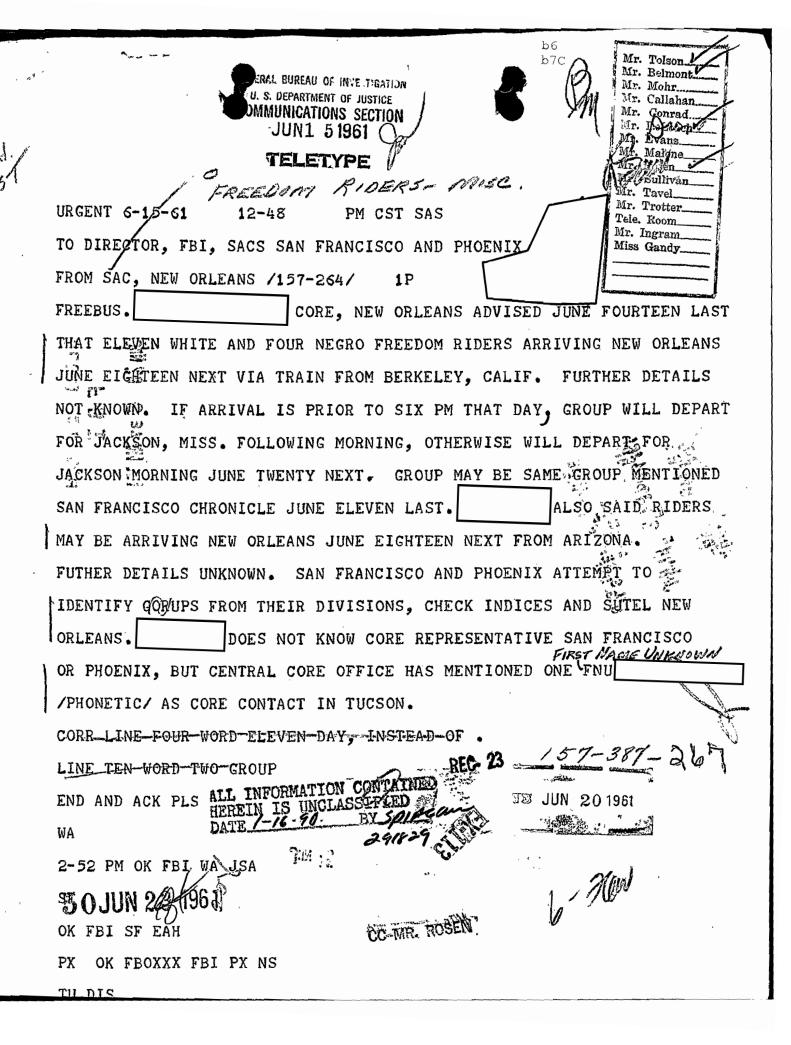
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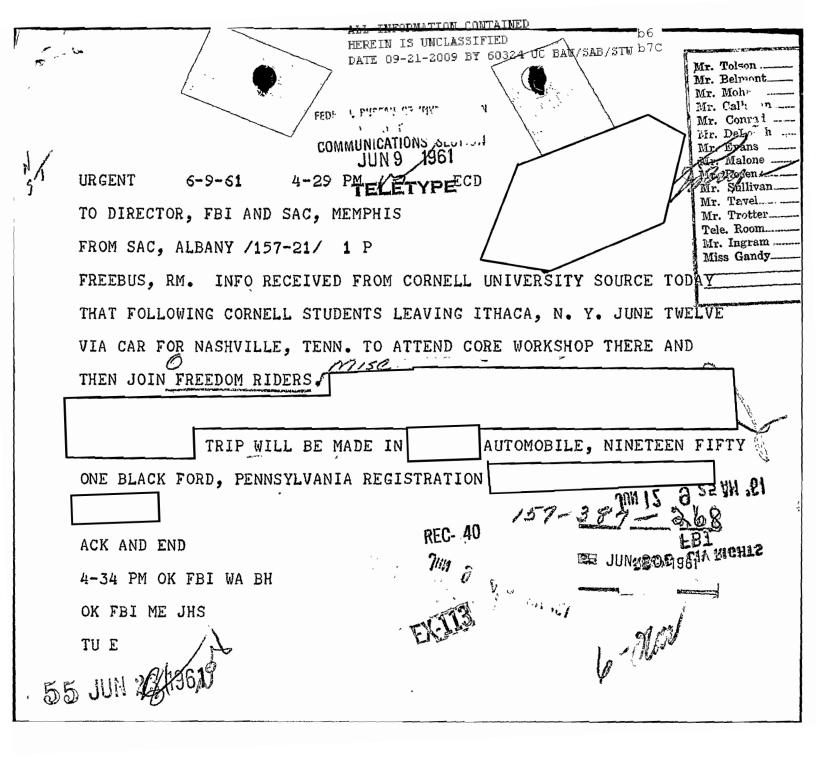
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FROM SAC, SAVANNAH /157-273/ 2 P

FREE BUS DASH RACIAL MATTERS, CORE DASH RACIAL MATTERS. FIRST SECTION, GROUP ONE /PROFESSIONAL GROUP/ COMPOSED OF SEVEN INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING TWO WHITE MALES, ONE WHITE FEMALE, THREE NEGRO MALES AND ONE NEGRO FEMALE, DEPARTED CHARLESTON, S.C., SIX FORTYSIX AM, THIS DATE ALSO VIA GREYHOUND BUS M DASH FIVE THREE SEVEN THREE. SCHEDULED TOWARRIVE AT JACKSONVILLE TWELVE FORTY PM THIS DATE. INSTANT BUS WILL MAKE REST STOPS AT WALTERBORO, S.C., SAVANNAH, GA., AT NINE ZERO FIVE AM, AND BRUNSWICK, GA. ACCORDING TO FREEDOM RIDERS BUS TICKETS, THEY ARE TO CHANGE BUSES AT JACKSONVILLE, FLA., FOR ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. REMAINING MEMBERS OF GROUP ONE /PROFESSIONAL GROUP/ STILL IN CHARLESTON, S.C. TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED TO LEAVE CHARLESTON, S.C., AT NINE THIRTYFIVE AM INSTANT DATE. IN CONFIRMATION OF SAVANNAH TEL CALL TO BUREAU AND JACKSONVILLE TEL TO SAVANNAH. GROUP TWO /INTERFAITH GROUP/ COMPOSED OF END PAGE ONE **REC-40** 

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NINETEEN INDIVIDUALS ARRIVED SAVANNAH, GA., THREE FORTYONE AM THIS DATE FROM SUMTER, S.C. PARTY HAD COFFEE AT GREYHOUND BUS COUNTER WHICH IS INTEGRATED AND UTILIZED SEGREGATED RESTROOMS ON AN INTEGRATED BASIS. NO INCIDENTS. DEPARTED FOUR NINETEEN AM. SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE JACKSON-VILLE, FLA., SEVEN TWENTYFIVE AM, AND DEPART JACKSONVILLE EIGHT TWENTY AM, TO ARRIVE TALLAHASSEE, FLA., TWELVE THIRTY PM. BUREAU AND AUXILIARY OFFICES WILL BE ADVISED OF ALL PERTINENT FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. END AND ACK PLS

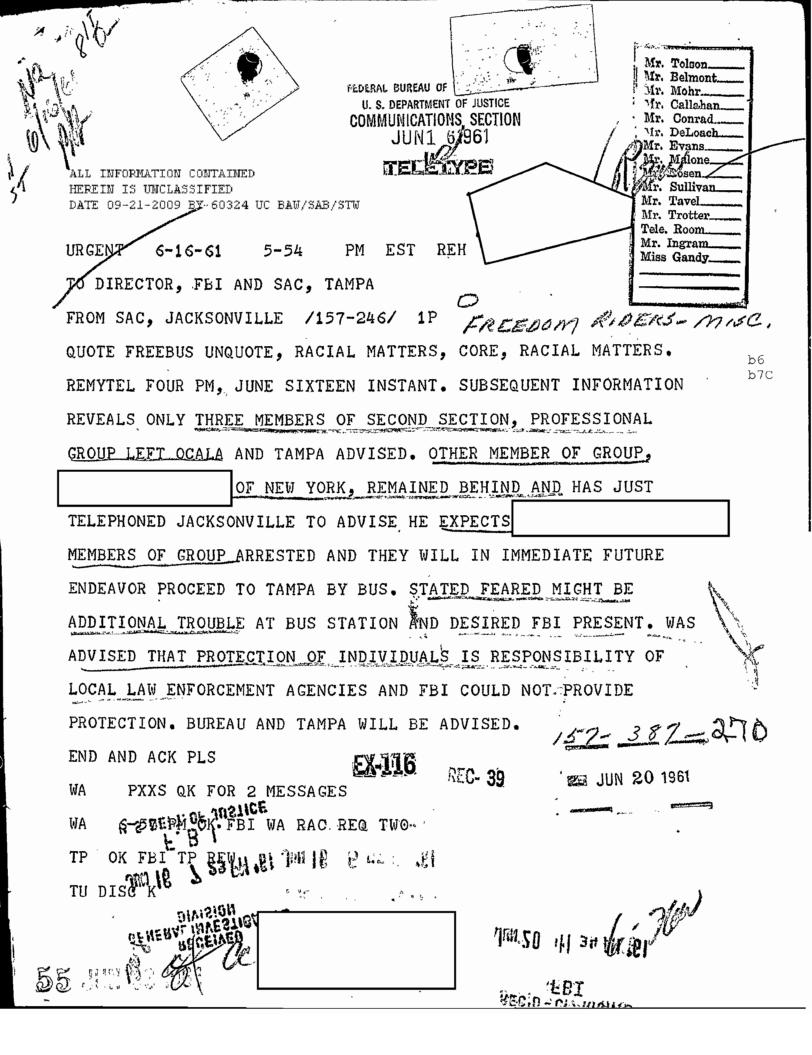
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On June 2, 1961, Mr. Jack A. Travis, Jr., City Prosecuting Attorney, Jackson, Mississippi furnished Special Agent Charles William Bone with a copy of Order for Cash Appeal Bond entered in the Municipal Court of the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi on May 30, 1961, signed by himself and Jack Young, Coulsel for Defendants as listed:

Julia Maron; Harold Andrews; David J. Dennis; all of whom were members of the first group of Freedom Riders arrested upon their arrival on Trailways Bus at Jackson, Mississippi on May 24, 1961. Peter Ackerberg; Jerome M. Smith; Lucretia R. Gollins; Doris Castle; and Frank Holloway; all of whom were members of the second group of Freedom Riders arrested upon their arrival on a Trailways Bus at Jackson, Mississippi on May 24, 1961.

Mr. Travis stated that he desired that the enclosed orders be made available to the Department of Justice due to their interest in the matter and to specifically point out two facts: (1) The fact that city officials at Jackson, Mississippi waived the posting of a surety bond by these defendants after consulting with the State Attorney General's Office inasmuch as Mississippi law requires the posting of a surety or property bond on appeals. (2) The fact that as stated in the orders no persons, having property within the State of Mississippi were willing to serve as sureties for these defendants.

Enclosed herewith are the copies of the orders furnished by Mr. Travis.

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IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CITY OF JACKSON

VS.

JULIA AARON

### ORDER FOR CASH APPEAL BOND

This cause this day coming on to be heard on the oral motion of the defendant, Julia Aaron, by and through her attorney, for authority to post a Cash Appeal Bond in lieu of a bond with sureties. and it appearing unto the Court that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Mississippi and that no person, who has property within the State of Mississippi, is willing to serve as surety on her bond and that the defendant should be allowed to post a Cash Appeal Bond.

It is, therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant, Julia Aaron, be and she is hereby authorized to po tha Cash Appeal Bond of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that the Sheriff of Hinds County be and he is hereby authorized to, accept the same.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this day of May, 1961.

Mnnigipal Judge & Ex-Officio

Justice of the Peace

Approved and agreed to:

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IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF VACKSON, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CITY OF JACKSON

VS.

HAROLD ANDREWS

# ORDER FOR CASH APPEAL BOND

This cause this day coming on to be heard on the oral motion of the defendant, Harold Andrews, by and through his attorney, for authority to post a Cash Appeal Bond in lieu of a bond with sureties, and it appearing unto the Court that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Mississippi and that no person, who has property within the State of Mississippi, is willing to serve as surety on his bond and that the defendant should be allowed to post a Cash Appeal Bond.

It is, therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant, Harold Andrews, be and he is hereby authorized to post a Cash Appeal Bond of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that the Sheriff of Hinds County be and he is hereby authorized to accept the same.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this 30 day of May, 1961

Municipal Judge & Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace

Approved and agreed to:

City Prosecutor

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CITY OF JACKSON

VS.

DAVID J. DENNIS

# ORDER FOR CASH APPEAL BOND

This cause this day coming on to be heard on the oral motion of the defendant, David J. Dennis, by and through his attorney, for authority to post a Cash Appeal Bond in lieu of a bond with sureties, and it appearing unto the Court that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Mississippi and that no person, who has property within the State of Mississippi, is willing to serve as surety on his bond and that the defendant should be allowed to post a Cash Appeal Bond.

It is, therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant, David J. Dennis, be and he is hereby authorized to post a Cash Appeal Bond of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that the Sheriff of Hinds County be and he is hereby authorized to accept the same.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this 20 day of May, 1961.

Municipal Judge & Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace

Approved and agreed to:

City Prosecutor

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CITY OF JACKSON

vs.

PETER ACKERBERG

# ORDER FOR CASH APPEAL BOND

This cause this day coming on to be heard on the oral motion of the defendant, Peter Ackerberg, by and through his attorney, for authority to post a Cash Appeal Bond in lieu of a bond with sureties, and it appearing unto the Court that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Mississippi and that no person, who has property within the State of Mississippi, is willing to serve as surety on his bond and that the defendant should be allowed to post a Cash Appeal Bond.

It is, therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant, Peter Ackerberg, be and he is hereby authorized to post a Cash Appeal Bond of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that the Sheriff of Hinds County be and he is hereby authorized to accept the same.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1961.

Municipal Judge & Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace

Approved and agreed to:

City Prosecutor

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CITY OF JACKSON

VS.

JEROME M. SMITH

# ORDER FOR CASH APPEAL BOND

This cause this day coming on to be heard on the oral motion of the defendant, Jerome M. Smith, by and through his attorney. for authority to post a Cash Appeal Bond in lieu of a bond with sureties, and it appearing unto the Court that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Mississippi and that no person, who has property within the State of Mississippi, is willing to serve as surety on his bond and that the defendant should be allowed to post a Cash Appeal Bond.

It is, therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant, Jerome M. Smith, be and he is hereby authorized to post a Cash Appeal Bond of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that the Sheriff of Hinds County be and he is hereby authorized to accept the same.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this 30 day of May, 1961.

Municipal Judge & Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace

Approved and agreed to:

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IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CITY OF JACKSON

VS:

LUCRETIA R. COLLINS

## ORDER FOR CASH APPEAL BOND

This cause this day coming on to be heard on the oral motion of the defendant; Lucretia R. Collins, by and through her attorney, for authority to post a Cash Appeal Bond in lieu of a bond with sureties, and it appearing unto the Court that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Mississippi and that no person, who has property within the State of Mississippi, is willing to serve as surety on her bond and that the defendant should be allowed to post a Cash Appeal Bond.

It is, therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant,
Lucretia R. Collins, be and she is hereby authorized to post a Cash
Appeal Bond of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that the Sheriff
of Hinds County be and he is hereby authorized to accept the same.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this 30 day of May, 1961.

Municipal Judge & Ex Officio Justice of the Peace

Approved and agreed to:

City Prosecutor

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CITY OF JACKSON

VS.

DORIS CASTLE

## ORDER FOR CASH APPEAL BOND

This cause this day coming on to be heard on the oral motion of the defendant. Doris Castle, by and through her attorney, for authority to post a Cash Appeal Bond in Lieu of a bond with sureties, and it appearing unto the Court that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Mississippi and that no person, who has property within the State of Mississippi, is willing to serve as surety on her bond and that the defendant should be allowed to post a Cash Appeal Bond.

It is, therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant, Doris Castle, be and she is hereby authorized to post a Cash Appeal Bond of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that the Sheriff of Hinds County be and he is hereby authorized to accept the same.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this 30 day of May, 1961.

Municapal Judge & Ex-Officio

Justice of the Peace

Approved and agreed to;

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CITY OF JACKSON

VS.

FRANK HOLLOWAY

# ORDER FOR CASH APPEAL BOND

This cause this day coming on to be heard on the oral motion of the defendant, Frank Holloway, by and through his attorney, for authority to post a Cash Appeal Bond in lieu of a bond with sureties, and it appearing unto the Court that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Mississippi and that no person, who has property within the State of Mississippi, is willing to serve as surety on his bond and that the defendant should be allowed to post a Cash Appeal Bond

It is, therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant, Frank Holloway, be and he is hereby authorized to post a Cash Appeal Bond of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and that the Sheriff of Hinds County be and he is hereby suthorized to accept the same. ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this 30

day of May, 1961.

Municipal Judge & Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace

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QUOTE FREEBUS UNQUOTE RACIAL MATTERS, CORE, RACIAL MATTERS. RE JACKSONVILLE TELETYPE TEN TWENTYSIX A. M., JUNE FIFTEEN INSTANT AND SAVANNAH TELETYPE TEN FORTYFIVE A. M., JUNE FIFTEEN INSTANT. GROUP ONE, PROFESSIONAL GROUP, ARRIVED GREYHOUND BUS STATION, JACKSONVILLE. ONE ZERO SEVEN P. M. WHERE MET BY NAACP MEMBERS. GROUP USED RESTAURANT ON INTEGRATED BASIS AND RECEIVED LITTLE ATTENTION FROM PERSONS IN STATION. HAVE ADVISED LOCAL POLICE THEY HAVE DECIDED TO STAY JACKSONVILLE TONIGHT IN PRIVATE RESIDENCES AND TO LEAVE TOMORROW, TIME UNDECIDED, FOR ST. PETERSBURG. NO INCIDENTS. DAYTONA BEACH GROUP DEPARTED JACKSONVILLE VIA GREYHOUND BUS EIGHT TWENTYSEVEN A. M. AND ARRIVED LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, NINE FIFTYTWO A. M. USED REST ROOM AND RESTAURANT FACILITIES ON **E** JUN 20 1961 INTEGRATED BASIS. NO INCIDENTS. DEPARTED LAKE CITY TEN ZERO FOUR A. M. AND ARRIVED TALLAHASSEE TWELVE FORTY PM. 6 Non END PAGE ONE...

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HAD LUNCH IN WHAT HAD FORMERLY BEEN ALL WHITE DINING ROOM. NO
INCIDENTS. WERE JOINED AT GREYHOUND STATION BY
COLORED, TALLAHASSEE, WHO WENT WITH GROUP TO TRAILWAYS BUS STATION
WHERE ALL PURCHASED TICKETS TO THOMASVILLE, GA. AND DEPARTED BY
TRAILWAYS BUS TWO NINE THREE FOUR AT TWO P. M. GROUP RETURNED TO
TALLAHASSEE VIA TRAILWAYS AT THREE FIFTY PM, WENT TO
GREYHOUND TERMINAL AND PICKED UP AUTO. PROCEEDED HIS
HOUSE FOR SHORT TIME AND THEN WENT TO HIS COLORED CHURCH WHERE
THEY ARE PRESENTLY MEETING. FURTHER PLANS INDEFINITE AT THIS
TIME. (INTERFAITH GROUP PAREN GROUP TWO PAREN DEPARTED JACKSON-
VILLE EIGHT THIRTY FOUR A. M. VIA GREYHOUND BUS FIVE SIX SEVEN
NAUGHT AND ARRIVED BUS STATION LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, NINE FIFTYSIX
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TWENTYFOUR P. M. ARRIVED TALLAHASSEE AIRPORT VIA PRIVATE AUTO-
MOBILES. POLICE HAD SEALED OFF AIRPORT AND PERMITTED ONLY THOSE
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HAVING BUSINESS TO ENTER GROUNDS. ENTIRE GROUP PURCHASED TICKETS FOR TRANSPORTATION TO NEW YORK CITY ON EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT TWO SIX EIGHT. DISCOVERED THAT PLUMBERS WERE REPAIRING ALL REST ROOOMS AND THAT RESTAURANT HAD BEEN CLOSED, APPARENTLY ON ORDERS OF MAYOR. WHEN FLIGHT CALLED, EIGHT BOARDED AND TEN REMAINED IN TERMINAL BUILDING AND INQUIRED IF FACILITY OPEN ALL NIGHT. ON RECEIPT AFFIRMATIVE REPLY, ONE REMARKED THEY MIGHT AS WELL STAY THERE ALL NIGHT. LATER INDICATED THEY WOULD STAY IN BUILDING AWAITING OPENING OF LUNCH ROOM FOR A MONTH IF NECESSARY. ARE STILL AT AIRPORT. TALLAHASSEE CITY COMMISSION HAS INSTRUCTED CHIEF OF POLICE TO CLOSE AIRPORT COMPLETELY AFTER LAST FLIGHT LEAVES TONIGHT AT ELEVEN FORTYTWO PM AND TO ASK ANY PERSONS STILL THERE TO LEAVE. COP PRESUMES ANYONE REFUSING TO LEAVE WILL HAVE TO BE PUT OUT BUT EXPRESSES DISMAY HIS PLAN TO ACCOMODATE RIDERS AND LET THEM LEAVE WITHOUT INCIDENT HAS BEEN APPARENTLY FRUSTRATED BY MAYOR. SHORTLY AFTER GROUP ARRIVED TALLAHASSEE, MEMBER OF TALLAHASSEE KLAVERN, FLORIDA KKK, OBSERVED BY POLICEMAN NEAR BUS STATION TALKING WITH SIX WHITE MALES. ON INSTRUCTIONS COP, END PAGE THREE

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REQUESTED GO TO POLICE STATION WHERE HE WAS ADMONISHED BY
COP NOT TO CAUSE TROUBLE AND WAS KEPT FOR OVER TWO HOURS. SPENT
TIME COMPLAINING OF POLICE HANDLING BUS INCIDENT AND FINALLY
PERMITTED TO LEAVE. HE LATER ATTEMPTED ENTER AIRPORT BUS WAS
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	FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-246/ 1P  FREEDOM RIDERS- MISC.  FREEBUS, RACIAL MATTERS. LOCAL NEWS SOURCES ADVISE TODAY	
	REVEREND E. C. TILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF NAACP INVESTIGATING	-
	COMMITTEE, DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA, STATED FIVE MEMBER TEAM	
	TO LEAVE DAYTONA BEACH AT FIVE AM TOMORROW FOR JACKSONVILLE,	
	LAKE CITY, LIVE OAK, MADISON, AND TALLAHASSEE, ALL FLORIDA,	
	TO CHECK SEGREGATION PRACTICES AT EACH STOP. DETECTIVE	
	SERGEANT INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, JACKSONVILLE	
	POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED TODAY RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM	•
	LOCAL RADIO SOURCE IDENTIFYING ABOVE INDIVIDUALS AS REVEREND	
	E. C. TILLMAN, DAYTONA BEACH, REVEREND W. O. WELLS, COCOA, F	LA.,
	MRS. C. D. CURRINGTON, DAYTONA BEACH, ALL NEGROES, AND MRS.	
	DON CALHOUN, WHITE, FREE LANCE WRITER. DETECTIVE	
	FURTHER ADVISED THREE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WILL REPORTEDLY	
	RETURN TO DAYTONA BEACH FROM TALLAHASSEE BY PLANE WHILE TWO,	
	UNIDENTIFIED, WILL PROCEED TO GEORGIA FOR SAME PURPOSE,	
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FROM SAC. JACKSONVILLE

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FREEBUS, RACIAL MATTERS. DAYTONA BEACH GROUP SPENDING NIGHT HOME OF COLORED MINISTER PLAN LEAVE TALLAHASSEE VIA GREYHOUND BUS NINE THIRTY AM JUNE SIXTEEN AND PROCEED TO TAMPA, TESTING FACILITIES AT FOLLOWING STOPS. WILL ARRIVE GAINESVILLE, FLA. TWELVE FIFTYFOUR PM, LEAVE GAINESVILLE ONE TWENTYFIVE PM AND ARRIVE OCALA, FLA., TWO TWENTYFIVE PM. ALL TIMES EST. AT OCALA WILL TAKE EITHER BUS OR TRAIN TO TAMPA AND THEREAFTER RETURN TO DAYTONA BEACH VIA ORLANDO, FLA. GROUP TO CONSIST OF FIVE PERSONS AS WILL REMAIN IN TALLAHASSEE. BU AND TP WILL BE KEPT ADVISED AS INFORMATION IS DEVELOPED. LOCAL AUTHORITIES ALERTED. 157-387-2 TP TP BE ADVISED END AND ACK PLS EK... 5 JUN 20 1961 2-54 AM OK FBI WA HFL 6 non Tua iĝ TUDISC

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WHO HAD REGISTRATION FOR INSTANT CAR. ENROUTE TO							
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AM TO TWELVE ZERO THREE PM. WHILE IN BEAUFORT, ONE WHITE MALE AND ONE							
NEGRO MALE UTILIZED WHITE REST ROOM FACILITIES. NO INCIDENTS IN BEAU-							
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RE SAVANNAH TELETYPES JUNE FIFTEEN INSTANT. GROUP ONE, SECONDY SECTION /PROFESSIONAL GROUP/ ENTERED FLORIDA FROM GEORGIA AT FOUR TWENTY FIVE PM THIS DATE IN GREYHOUND BUS, SIX TWO FIVE SIX, AND ARRIVED JACKSONVILLE FIVE THIRTEEN PM. THIS GROUP MET AT BUS TERMINAL BY TWO MEMBERS OF FIRST SECTION THIS GROUP AND EDITOR, FLORIDA STAR, NEGRO WEEKLY NEWSPAPER OF JACKSONVILLE. TERMINAL FACILITIES TESTED WITHOUT INCIDENT. NO UNUSUAL CROWD OBSERVED,

MEMBER FLORIDA KKK, AGAIN PRESENT AS OBSERVER.

ARRIVAL COVERED BY PRESS AND LOCE AGENCIES. AT FIVE FIFTY

PM THIS GROUP LEFT TERMINAL IN THREE PRIVATE CARS AND WILL SPEND

NIGHT IN PRIVATE HOMES IN JACKSONVILLE. BOTH SECTIONS THIS GROUP

WILL HOLD MEETING TONIGHT TO FORMULATE DEPARTURE PLANS FOR TOMOREDW.

LOCAL POLICE AUTHORITIES REPORTEDLY WILL BE ADVISED OF DEPARTURE

PLANS. SAME WILL BE FURNISHED BUREAU AND TARRA.

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DATE 09-21-2009 BY

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, TAMPA

FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-246/ 1P

QUOTE FREEBUS UNQUOTE, RACIAL MATTERS. CORE, RACIAL MATTERS.

RE JK TELS TODAY. NEWS SOURCE, ADVISED TONIGHT FIRST AND SECOND SECTIONS OF GROUP ONE, PROFESSIONAL GROUP, TO TEAVE JACKSONVILLE SIX AM AND NINE AM, JUNE SIXTEEN, SIXTYONE, FOR ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA, SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE TWELVE FORTY FIVE PM AND THREE FIFTY FIVE PM, RESPECTIVELY. DEPARTURE WILL BE

COVERED AND BUREAU AND TAMPA WILL BE ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR. FBI

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FROM SAC. TAMPA

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FREEBUS. RACIAL MATTERS. CORE. RACIAL MATTERS. REMYCALL TODAY.

GREYHOUND BUS NO. SIX TWO THREE FOUR, CONTAINING GROUP ONE,

SECTION ONE /PROFESSIONAL GROUP/ ARRIVED DADE CITY, FLA., AT

TEN FIFTYTWO A. M. TWO COLORED MINISTERS AND ONE WHITE MINISTER

LEFT BUS, ATTEMPTED TO USE MENS ROOM IN BUS STATION, BUT FOUND IT

BLOCKED OFF AND RETURNED TO BUS WITHOUT INCIDENT. BUS DEPARTED

AT TEN FIFTYFOUR A. M., ARRIVED ZEPHYRHILLS, FLA., AT ELEVEN ZERO

SIX A. M. AND FREEDOM RIDERS DID NOT DEBUS. THIS BUS BEING

FOLLOWED BY AUTO REGISTERED IN NAME OF REPORTEDLY AN

AP PHOTOGRAPHER PRESENTLY ASSIGNED TO RALEIGH, N. C., AP BUREAU.

ALSO FOLLOWED BY AUTO REGISTERED TO WHO

CHARLOTTE REPORTS IS EDITOR OF AP, CHARLOTTE, N. C., BUREAU.

BUS ARRIVED TAMPA TWELVE ZERO SEVEN, AT WHICH POINT ONE WHITE

MINISTER, ANOTHER WHITE MALE, AND ANCOLORED MALE THEREAFTER LEFT

BUS AND WERE INTERVIEWED BY PRESS. VONE WHITE WOMAN AND ONE

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BUS, THREE MALES PRESENTLY BEING SERVED WITHOUT

INCIDENT AT LUNCH COUNTER. BUS DEPARTED FOR ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.,

AT TWELVE SEVENTEENICH !! M. RELIABLE SOURCE REPORTS THAT SECTION ONE

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WILL ATTEND WORKSHOP FOUR P. M. TODAY
WORKSHOP WILL
BEN ATTENDED BY MALE, OF ST. PETERSBURG,
AND MALE, PROFESSOR FLORIDA
PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE. SECTIONS ONE AND TWO SCHEDULED TO
ATTEND PUBLIC MEETING EIGHT P. M. TODAY AT SECOND BETHEL BAPTIST
CHURCH, THIS MEETING BEING UNDER DIRECTION OF
BOTH GROUPS, ACCORDING TO SOURCE, PLAN TO DEPART ST.
PETERSBURG MIDNIGHT TONIGHT VIA PLANE. CAPTAIN
NA, ST. PETERSBURG PD, ADVISES ST. PETERSBURG NAACP A LITTLE
AGITATED BECAUSE THEY HAD NO ADVANCE NOTICE OF FREEBUS AND
THAT PLANS OF THE GROUP HAD NOT BEEN DISCUSSED WITH NAACP
ST. PETERSBURG AS LATE AS JUNE FIFTEEN. HOWEVER, NAACP ST.
PETERSBURG INDICATED THEY WOULD GO ALONG AND PARTICIPATE WITH
THE FREEDOM RIDERS. ANY PERTINENT INFO IN TAMPA INDICES RE
LOCAL PEOPLE MENTIONED ABOVE WILL BE FURNISHED BUREAU LATER.
BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS. LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS
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URGENT 6-15-61 4-10 PM EST AES TO DIRECTOR, FBI FROM SAC SAVANNAH /15**7-**83/

POSSIBLE NEGRO DEMONSTRATION, GREYHOUND BUS STATION, COLUMBIA, S. C., JUNE FIFTEEN, RACIAL MATTERS. RE MY TEL JUNE FOURTEEN, /NA/, COLUMBIA PD, ADVISED THAT INSTANT. CAPT. ONE FEMALE AND TWO MALES, ARRIVED THREE NEGRO FREEDOM RIDERS GREYHOUND BUS TATION ON BUS FIVE THREE TWO FOUR FROM GREENWOOD, S. C. AT APPROXIMATELY ONE FORTY PMN FREEDOM RIDERS POINTED OUT BY DRIVER OF INSTANT BUS, AND RIDERS AFTER ALIGHTING FROM BUS WALKED THROUGH BUS STATION AND OUT TO STREET WITHOUT STOPPING AND LEFT THE AREA WALKING. PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS

COLLEGE STUDENT AND INTEGRATIONIST LEADER ACCOMPANIED BY UNKNOWN NEGRO MALE ENTERED BUS STELON IN COLUMBIA AT APPROXIMATELY SAME TIME AS ARTIVAL 30 FOREEDOM 5 JUN 20 1961 AND UNKNOWN NEGRO MALE SAT DOWN AT LUNCH RIDERS. ADVISED THERE COUNTER, ORDERED FOOD, AND SUERE SERVED. WAS NO FATHERING OF PEOPLE PRIOR TO OR DURING THE TIME NO ARRESTS OR AND THE FREEDOM RIDERS WERENAT THE BUS STATION.

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INCIDENTS. OFFICERS OF SCLED, LEXINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF-S OFFICE, COLUMBIA PD, AND RICHLAND COUNTY SHERIFF-S OFFICE ALL ON DUTY AT BUS STATION. CIC NOTIFIED. AM COPY SENT TO CHARLOTTE.

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DATE: June 9, 1961

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SUBJECT:

FROM

FREEBUS

Mr. Belmont

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Nine freedom riders arrived in Jackson, Mississippi, 10:20 a.m., 6/8/61, by train from New Orleans and were arrested without incident.

Twenty-one freedom riders convicted of breach of the peace at Jackson 6/8/61. Each sentenced to four months of which 60 days was suspended and fined \$200.

The twenty-one convicted includes the nine who arrived from New Orleans 6/8/61; who were arrested upon their arrival 6/8/61; ten who were arrested upon arrival 6/7/61.

"New York Times," 6/6/61, quotes Lane and Sutton as saying they were going to investigate the arrests of the freedom riders and would offer assistance as lawyers.

Ninety-three freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5/24/61. Seventeen have been released on bond, two have been released upon payment of fines and seventy-four remain in custody. (Five more arrested 6/9/61.)

Five freedom riders from Nashville, Tennessee, believed due to arrive Jackson, Mississippi, by train 5:30 a.m., CST, 6/9/61. (These freedom riders arrived at Jackson by train 5:30 a.m., CST, 6/9/61, and were arrested without incident.)

Eight freedom riders scheduled to leave Chicago by train 7:40 p.m., 6/8/61, for New Orleans where transportation by bus to Jackson is to be arranged by Congress of Racial Equality (CORE). CORE representative inquired if Chicago Office would clear these individuals as CORE wants no one who is subversive or has a criminal record. Confidential nature of files was explained.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: FREEBUS

	Five to twelve freedom riders plan to leave Minneapolis
THE REAL PROPERTY.	by Greyhound Bus for Nashville, 6/9/61. At Nashville they will be briefed by CORE and will proceed to Jackson. This group includes several who are connected with Fair Play for Cuba Committee one of whom closely associates with Socialist Workers Party.
	freedom rider arrested at
	Jackson, 6/8/61, and reported to be ceased active employment several days ago and will be dropped from payroll 6/19/61.
Ĺ	Montgomery, Alabama, attorney N
Torres and the same	states he has been designated by U. S. District Judge Johnson to prepare a case attempting to show that freedom rides place an undue burden on interstate commerce.
	requested FBI investigate for his benefit.  Desired investigation would include interviews with officials of organizations cited in the antiride injunction and interviews with freedom riders and others.
	stated that if the FBI cannot conduct this investigation he plans to ask the court to issue an order instructing the FBI to investigate.
L	United States Attorney Hartwell Davis, who referred to the FBI, states he knows of no regulation, obligation or precedent which would require the FBI to investigate. He does
	not feel the FBI has any responsibility to investigate for
	Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall states request may have arisen because was sent to Montgomery to discuss the case with the judge in view of the fact
	that the Department believes the judge exceeded his authority when he entered the injunction.
	Burke Marshall believes it is responsibility to produce whatever evidence he has to support the allegation that freedom riders interfere with interstate commerce. He said no investigation should be conducted but may refer any further questions to Burke Marshall or United States Attorney Davis is being so advised.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: FREEBUS

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Mentgemery County Citizens Council held public rally, Montgomery, Alabama, evening of 6/8/61. Speakers referred to the Attorney General in derogatory terms, and he was called a traitor by Carl Herbert Lancaster, Chairman.

MacDonald Gallion, Alabama Attorney General who was main speaker, read what was purported to be a verbatim transcript of the telephone conversation between the Attorney General and the manager of the Birmingham Bus station on 5/15/61.

Gallion also criticized the Attorney General and alleged that various leaders of CORE have communist associations. In referring to Dr. Walter Bergman, professor at Wayne University, Gallion alleged that the university is a haven for communists, including a professor who was convicted of spying for Russia. No such spy case was located in a search of indices or recalled by key espionage supervisors.

Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall has received information that Negroes in Memphis, Tennessee, will have peaceful mass demonstrations throughout the day on 6/9/61. Local authorities have been advised.

Birmingham police have now arrested a total of six individuals in connection with the disorder at the Trailways Bus station in Birmingham on 5/14/61.

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A memorandum is being prepared for the information of the Attorney General.

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#### DETAILS

Nine freedom riders from New Orleans arrived in Jackson, Mississippi, at 10:20 a.m., Central Standard Time (CST), 6/8/61, aboard the Illinois Central Railroad train "City of New Orleans." They entered the white waiting room and were arrested without incident.

Twenty-one freedom riders were convicted of breach of the peace in Jackson on 6/8/61. This includes: the above group of nine: nine who arrived in Jackson and were arrested on 6/7/61;

the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), who arrived in Jackson and were arrested 6/8/61; and who arrived in Jackson by Greyhound Bus on 6/7/61.

Each of the above individuals was sentenced to serve four months in jail with 60 days of this sentence being suspended. A \$200 fine was also imposed on each defendant.

With regard to Mark Lane and Percy Sutton, the "New York Times," on 6/6/61, carried an article concerning their trip which stated in part: "Assemblyman Mark Lane and Percy Sutton, President of the Manhattan Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said yesterday they would leave tonight to investigate the arrests of freedom riders in Alabama and Mississippi. They plan to offer assistance as lawyers."

Ninety-three freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, since 5/24/61. Seventeen have been released on bond, two have been released upon the payment of fines and seventy-four remain in custody. (Five more arrested 6/9/61.)

Leadership Council, Nashville, Tennessee, advised that a group of five freedom riders was scheduled to leave Nashville 6/8/61 by train for Birmingham where they will transfer to another train arriving in Jackson, Mississippi, 5:00 a.m., CST, 6/9/61. A group believed to be identical with the freedom riders from Nashville arrived in Birmingham at 8:45 p.m., 6/8/61, and transferred to Southern Railroad train "The Pelican," which is due to arrive at Jackson 5:30 a.m., 6/9/61. The group did not test any facilities in Birmingham and there were no incidents. (These five freedom riders arrived at Jackson 5:30 a.m., 6/9/61 and were arrested without incident. This was at 7:30 a.m., Washington time.)

	the Congress of Racial			
	Equality (CORE).			
L	contacted the Chicago Office 6/8/61.			
l	stated that eight freedom riders were to leave Chicago			
_	by train at 7:40 p.m., 6/8/61, to arrive in New Orleans at			
	4:45 p.m., 6/9/61. In New Orleans they will arrange through			
	CORE for transportation by bus to Jackson, Mississippi.			
	stated that she wished to determine if the FBI would give			
	clearance to the individuals making this trip as CORE desires			
	that no freedom riders be subversive or have criminal records.			
	The confidential nature of FBI files was explained to her.			
	Among the names submitted byas having			
	volunteered to engage in the freedom ride was a			
`	white female, years of age, who was reported to be a member			
	of the Communist Party in April, 1960.			
	A confidential source in Minneapolis advised on 6/8/61			
	A confidential source in Minneapolis advised on 6/8/61 that at least five and possibly twelve freedom riders will leave Minneapolis by Greyhound Bus en route to Nashville. Tennessee.			
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	6/9/61. At Nashville they will be given a briefing by CORE and			
_	will then proceed to Jackson, Mississippi. The group includes:			
L	formerly the subject of a security investigation and			
	presently a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.			
	is also the subject of a security investigation;			
	who attends meetings of the Fair Play for Cuba			
	Committee; member of			
	Fair Play for Cuba Committee and who closely associates with the			
	Socialist Workers Party: who attends Fair Play for			
	Cuba meetings; and who is			
	of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.			
	With regard to who was among those			
	convicted at Jackson, Mississippi, 6/8/61, it has been previously			
	mentioned that she claimed to be employed as			
	It has been discreetly ascertained			
	that ceased active employment with			
	several days ago and will be dropped from the payroll 6/19/61.			
	a Montgomery, Alabama, attorney,			
	contacted Senior Resident Agent Spencer Robb 6/8/61 and stated he			
,	had been referred to the FBI by United States Attorney Hartwell Davis.			
Ĺ	related that United States District Judge Frank M.			
	Johnson, Jr., through has designated			

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont to prepare a third party case against CORE and the other organizations and individuals listed in the temporary injunction previously entered against freedom rides in Alabama by Judge Johnson. represents the city of Montgomery in this regard. stated that he had inquired of United States Attorney Davis as to the extent of assistance that could expect from the FBI and he inquired of Agent Robb whether the FBI will conduct investigation for his benefit to determine whether the freedom rides have placed an undue burden on interstate commerce. He desires that interviews be conducted with. officials of the organizations cited in the injunction, freedom riders and other individuals. stated that if the FBI cannot conduct this investigation he plans to ask the court to issue an order instructing the FBI to conduct the investigation. SAC Held discussed this matter with United States Attorney Hartwell Davis who said that he knows of no regulation. obligation or precedent which would require the FBI to conduct such investigation and he does not feel that the FBI has any responsibility to conduct such investigation. Davis referred to the FBI because of the possibility that the FBI might have some authority or obligation with which Davis was unfamiliar. request was discussed with Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall, Civil Rights Division, who remarked that request may have arisen from the fact that was sent to Montgomery to discuss this matter with Judge Johnson because the Department is of the opinion that the judge exceeded his authority when he entered the temporary injunction against freedom riding in Alabama. Marshall expressed the opinion that it was the responsibility of to produce whatever evidence he has to support the allegation that freedom riders are interfering with interstate commerce. He said that no investigation should be conducted by the FBI but that if has any further questions he may contact either Marshall or United States

Attorney Davis.

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his request for investigation has been referred	ot f	United States
Attorney Hartwell <u>Davis</u> and that if Davis is ur	anblo	to answer
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Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall.		•

The Montgomery County Citizens Council held a public rally on the evening of 6/8/61. Carl Herbert Lancaster, Chairman of the council, referred to "that colossal misfit, United States Attorney General Robert Kennedy." He also called the Attorney General a traitor and said that the Attorney General planned the course of freedom riders through the South and worked behind the scenes to get southerners to "accept integration or else." Lancaster also said that John Seigenthaler had a list in his pocket containing names of all of the freedom riders.

MacDonald Gallion, Attorney General for the State of Alabama, was the main speaker. He read what was reported to be a verbatim transcript of the telephone conversation between the Attorney General and George E. Pruitt, manager of the Greyhound Bus station, Birmingham, Alabama, 5/15/61. This was the conversation in which the Attorney General requested Pruitt to obtain a driver so that the freedom riders could leave Birmingham by bus. Details of this conversation have been previously reported but in Gallion's version of the conversation the Attorney General used "hell" in one instance and used "damn" twice.

Gallion quoted Susar Wilbur, a white female freedom rider, as having stated in an affidavit that the Attorney General discussed the freedom rides on the telephone with Diane Nash, a freedom rider coordinator. Wilbur stated the freedom riders were not worried about possible violence because they were promised Federal protection all the way to New Orleans.

Gallion referred to the Attorney General as "Bobby-soxer Kennedy" and said he had decided to give up cowboys and Indians to play politics fast and loose to the endangerment of citizens. Gallion further stated that the Attorney General ordered Federal marshals to invade Alabama against the overwhelming wishes of the citizens and with "wanton disregard for state sovereignty and state laws." He added that this was uncalled for, unnecessary and "simply political propaganda."

gallies alleged that the following leaders of CORE have records of communist association: James Douglas Peck, A. J. Musty (phonetic), Dr. Walter Bergman, Roger Baldwin, Philip Randolph, Lillian Smith, Allen Salmes (phonetic), Ira D. Reed (phonetic) and Goodwyn Watson. Gallion pointed out that Dr. Walter Bergman is a professor at Wayne University. He stated Wayne University is a haven for communists, including a professor who was convicted of spying for Russia. (No such spy case located in search of indices or recalled by key espionage supervisors.)

Gallion's speech included purported citations from a communist publication in an attempt to prove that efforts to desegregate are a communist program directed from Moscow. Gallion urged his listeners to stay within the law but to fight with determination to preserve the southern heritage and said, "We must not allow ourselves to be drawn into violence."

The master of ceremonies, whose identity has not yet been determined, stated in reference to "Bobby-soxer Kennedy", "We are going to make a case against that man, we want to see him embarrassed by the truth. He is guilty of conspiracy - and anybody who can't see that is a fool." This speaker also asked why freedom riders are not being arrested for violation of the Federal injunction against freedom rides in Alabama.

Dr. Henry Lyons, Pastor, Highland Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, informed the Citizens Council rally that Montgomery is a target of Red Russian communism because Montgomery is a symbol of southern traditions. He expressed full confidence in Alabama officials and specifically named L. B. Sullivan, Montgomery Commissioner of Public Affairs, in this regard and stated, "Our heritage in the South is sacred and must not be surrendered."

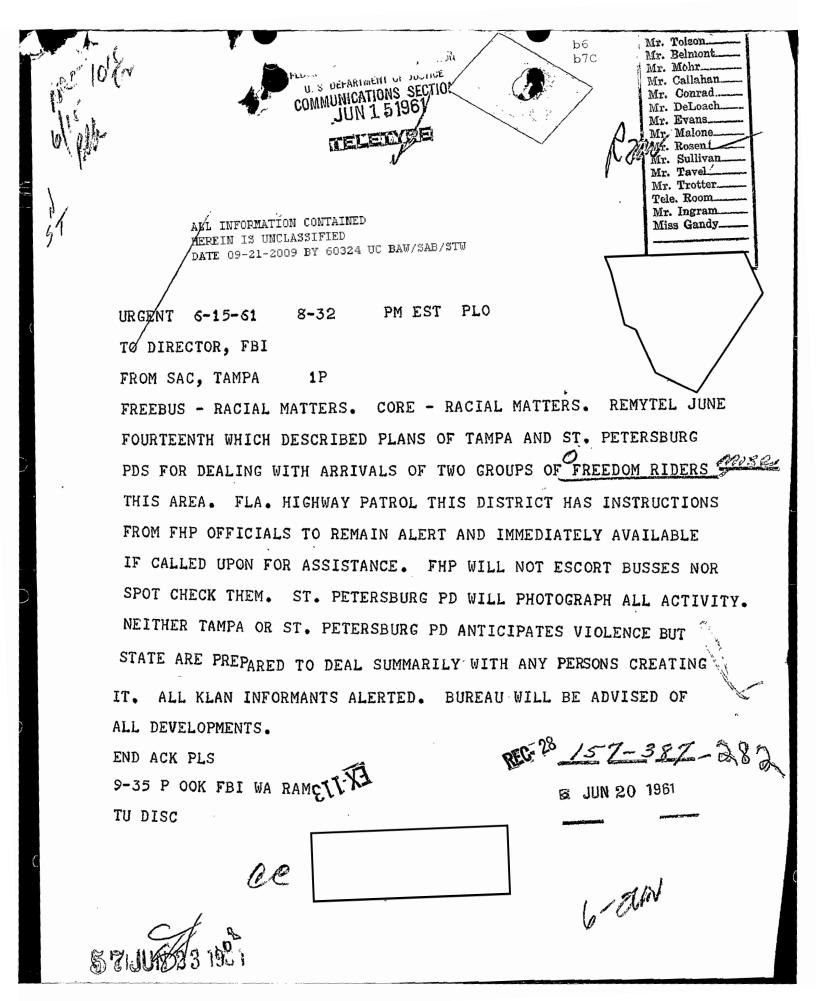
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Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall advised on 6/8/61 that the Tederated Department Stores in Nashville, Tennessee, has told him that the Negro community in Memphis will have a mass demonstration throughout the city on 6/9/61. This will begin in the morning and last throughout the day. It will include sit-ins in business establishments, restaurants, parks, etc., and will be accompanied by parades and other demonstrations of a peaceful nature. informed Burke Marshall that the Mayor and the Police Commissioner

are cognizant. Burke Marshall said he was advising us so that we could also inform local authorities. He understood that we would take no action other than to inform appropriate local authorities. The Memphis Office was instructed to alert all law enforcement agencies and public officials.

On 6/7/61 the Birmingham Police arrested John Hampton Thompson on a charge of disorderly conduct and he was released on \$300 bond. Thompson previously admitted to Bureau Agents that he appears in a photograph taken of the disorder at the bus station on 5/14/61. He admitted to detectives that he was a former klan member and that he was present at both the Greyhound and Trailways Bus depots in Birmingham on 5/14/61 but denied having participated in the disorder. This is the sixth individual to be arrested by the Birmingham Police Department in connection with the disorder at the Trailways Bus station in Birmingham on 5/14/61.

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2137 AM URGENT 6-17-61 TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS, JACKSONVILLE, WASHINGTON FIELD, NEW YORK, NEW YORK VIA AWASHINGTON NEWARK, BALTIMORE FREEDOM RIDERS- MISC, 4 P FROM SAC. TAMPA 157-301 FREEBUS, RACIAL MATTERS, CORE, RACIAL MATTERS. EIGHT FIFTY FIVE PM JUNE SIXTEEN. JACKSONVILLE OFFICE ADVISED NEGRO MALE, EARLIER TELEPHONICALLY THAT WHITE MALE, DEPARTED OCALA, FLORIDA, ON GREYHOUND BUS M DASH FIVE FIVE ONE THREE. THIS BUS ARRIVED BROOKSVILLE EIGHT TWENTY PM, DEPARTED EIGHT TWENTY THREE. DISPATCHER, FHP, TAMPA, ADVISED NONE OF GROUP DEBUSSED, BUS ARRIVED TAMPA NINE THIRTY THREE PM. GROUP NO INCIDENTS. ENTERED BUS TERMINAL, MADE SEVERAL PHONE CALLS TO UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS. SHORTLY AFTER TEN O CLOCK REQUESTED AND WERE SERVED DINNER NO INCLUENTS. IN BUS TERMINAL. THIS GROUP DEPARTED TAMPA GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL AT TEN FIE IN TWO AUTOMOBILES, ONE WHITE FORD CONVERTIBLE BEARING SIXTYONE LOUISIANA END PAGE ONE TE JUN 20 1961

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AND THE OTHER A SIXTY OR SIXTYONE RAMBLER, BEARING SIXTYONE FLA. LICENSE ONE E ONE NINE EIGHT FIVE, WHICH PREFIX IS ISSUED TO RENTAL CARS. THIS GROUP ARRIVED AT TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT ELEVEN THIRTYFIVE P. M. AT CONCLUSION OF WORKSHOP AT SECOND BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, ST. PETERSBURG, FLA., THE SEVEN FREEDOM RIDERS HAD SUPPER AT CHURCH AND THEREAFTER WENT TO PRIVATE RESIDENCES WHERE THEY FRESHENED UP, RETURNING TO CHURCH FOR PUBLIC MEETING SHORTLY AFTER FIGHT P. M. PUBLIC MEETING ATTENDED BY SOME FIFTY PERSONS OF WHOM APPROXIMATELY TWENTY WERE WHITE. REVEREND ENOCH DAVIS PRESIDED AT MEETING AND INTRODUCED ALL SEVEN FREEDOM RIDERS. RALPH DIAMOND SPOKE TO THE GROUP GENERALLY ABOUT TRAINING WHICH THE FREEDOM RIDERS UNDERWENT AND WAS FOLLOWED BY FRANCIS RANDALL WHO SPOKE GENERALLY ON SAME TOPIC. A THIRD FREEDOM RIDER, IDENTITY NOT KNOWN TOLD OF THE ARREST OF THREE FREEDOM RIDERS AT OCALA AND LUADED HANDLING OF SITUATION ON PART OF ST. PETERSBURG PD. COMMENTING THAT ST. PETERSBURG WAS ONLY CITY ON TRIP AT WHICH THEY SAW COLORED OFFICERS. THERE WERE TWO UNIFORMED COLORED ST. PETERSBURG OFFICERS ATTENDING THE MEETING. MEETING ADJOURNED SHORTLY AFTER TEN P. M. AND THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS END PAGE TWO....

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THROUGHOUT AND NO PERSONS CONGREGATING OUTSIDE CHURCH. SEVEN FREEDOM RIDERS LEFT ST. PETERSBURG ESCORTED BY TWO ST. PETERSBURG PD CARS WHICH THEY HAD REQUESTED BE AFFORDED THEM. AN AIRPORT LIMOUSINE TRANSPORTED ONE WHITE FEMALE, ONE WHITE MALE, AND ONE COLORED MALE. REMAINING FOUR DEPARTED IN PRIVATE AUTOS. ST. PETERSBURG PD ESCORTED THEM TO TAMPA CITY LIMITS AND FREEDOM RIDERS CONTINUED TO TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ARRIVING ELEVEN TWENTY P. M. WHEN FOUR FROM TAMPA AND SEVEN FROM ST. PETERSBURG GOT TOGETHER AT TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT THEY BEGAN TESTING FACILITIES. TWO WHITES AND THREE COLORED PERSONS PROCEEDED TO BARTKES RESTAURANT AND BAR AT AIRPORT AND THREE ADDITIONAL COLORED HAD COFFEE IN COFFEE SHOP AT AIRPORT. ALL WERE SERVED AND NO INCIDENTS DEVELOPED. AT TWELVE FIFTYSEVEN A. M., JUNE SEVENTEEN, ALL ELEVEN FREEDOM RIDERS DEPARTED TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT VIA EAL FLIGHT SIX NINETY FOR NEW YORK CITY. THEY ARE IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS,

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/	TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS JACKSONVILLE, WASHINGTON FIE	William Callivran
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	FROM SAC, TAMPA /157-301/	ь.
	"FREEBUS, " RACIAL MATTERS. CORE, RACIAL MATTERS. RE	
	JACKSONVILLE TEL FOUR P. M. TODAY AND TAMPA TELCALL TO	DAY .
	SUBSEQUENT TO JACKSONVILLE TEL OF REFERENCE, JACKSONVI	LLE
	OFFICE ADVISED ONLY THREE OF FREEDOM RIDERS IN SECOND	SECTION
	PROCEEDING TO TAMPA FROM OCALA. FOURTH FREEDOM RIDER,	
	REMAINED IN OCALA TO SERVE AS OBSERVED I	N
	CONNECTION WITH ARRESTS OF THREE RIDERS REFLECTED IN J	ACKSONVILLE
	TEL OF REFERENCE. SECOND SECTION ARRIVED DADE CITY, I	CLORIDA,
	TWO THIRTY TWO P. M., DEPARTED TWO THIRTY SEVEN. NO C	NE GOT OFF
	BUS EXCEPT DRIVER, NOTHING TESTED. ONE WHITE MALE AND	ONE WHITE
	FEMALE BELIEVED TO BE REGULAR PASSENGERS GOT ON BUS.	BUS ARRIVED
	ZEPHYRHILLS TWO FIFTY FOUR P. M., DEPARTED TWO FIFTY S	EVEN.
	NOTHING TESTED, NO INCIDENTS. FOUR WHITE FEMALES BELI	
	PASSENGERS GOT ON BUS. ONE NEGRO FEMALE NOT BELIEVED	WITH FREEDOM.
	RIDERS GOT OFF BUS AND REMAINED ZEPHYRHILLS. NINETEEN	SIXTY
	ONE FORD, GEORGIA LICENSE	
	REGISTERED TO AP NEWSMAN, WHICH H	IAD BEEN
	FOLLOWING FREEDOM RIDERS, STOPPED FOR SPEEDING BEFORE	ARRIVING
	ZEPHYRHILLS. DISPOSITION NOT PRESENTLY KNOWN. BUS AF	RIVEDJUN 20 1967
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CONSISTING OF ONE WHITE FEMALE, ONE NEGRO FEMALE, AND ONE NEGRO
MALE DESCENDED FROM BUS. WHITE FEMALE AND NEGRO FEMALE PROCEEDED
TO LUNCH COUNTER, ORDERED SANDWICH AND COKE, WERE SERVED AND ATE
SAME. AT BUS STATION WAS PAGED. ARRIVED
ON FIRST SECTION AND PROCEEDED WITH SAME TO ST. PETERSBURG.
INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED TO BE ANSWERED PAGE. PURPOSE
NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME. REST ROOM FACILITIES NOT TESTED. NO
INCIDENTS DEVELOPED. ARRIVING BUS WAS IN BAD MECHANICAL CONDITION AND
NECESSARY FOR FREEDOM RIDERS TO TRANSFER TO GREYHOUND BUS THREE
THREE FIVE EIGHT FOR TRIP TO ST. PETERSBURG. BUS DEPARTED
APPROXIMATELY FOUR THIRTY P. M. WITH REMAINDER OF FREEDOM
RIDERS OF SECOND SECTION, WHICH CONSISTED OF ONE NEGRO MALE
BELIEVED TO BE ONE NEGRO FEMALE, AND ONE WHITE
FEMALE. JUST PRIOR TO DEPARTURE OF BUS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO DID NOT
IDENTIFY HIMSELF TELEPHONED THIS OFFICE AND ADVISED AN AGENT HE
WANTED THE FBI APPRISED OF AN INCIDENT WHICH OCCURRED IN OCALA,
FLORIDA, A COUPLE HOURS PREVIOUSLY. BEFORE IDENTIFYING HIMSELF
HE INQUIRED AS TO WHETHER SOMETHING COULD BE DONE ABOUT THE
INCIDENT. HE WAS ASKED TO FURNISH WHATEVER FACTS HE HAD. MAN
IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS
AND SAID HE HAD ARRIVED IN OCALA
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HE HAD		
OBSERVED A GROUP OF FREEDOM RIDERS START TO GO INTO THE LUNCH		
ROOM AT GREYHOUND BUS STATION IN OCALA. AT THIS TIME A GROUP OF		
LOCAL CITIZENS APPROACHED. AT SAME TIME SIX OR SEVEN PLAIN-		
CLOTHESMEN WHO ANNOUNCED THEY WERE OFFICERS "INJECTED THEMSELVES"		
AND PLACED "THE FREEDOM RIDERS UNDER ARREST". NO		
ONE AMONG THE FREEDOM RIDERS SAW ANYTHING WHICH WOULD IDENTIFY		
THESE SIX OR SEVEN MEN AS OFFICERS, NOR WERE THE OFFICERS ASKED		
FOR IDENTIFICATION BY THE FREEDOM RIDERS.		
THIS TIME THE BUS WAS LEAVING OCALA AND IT WAS NECESSARY FOR HIM		
TO DEPART ON THE BUS AND HE HAD NO ADDITIONAL FACTS. BEFORE THE		
AGENT COULD OBTAIN FURTHER FACTS HE ANNOUNCED THAT		
HIS BUS WAS LEAVING TAMPA AND HAD TO HANG UP, WHICH HE DID.		
ST. PETERSBURG PD REPORTS THAT AT FOUR TWENTY P. M.		
WHITE MALE, AGE WAS WALKING AROUND BUS DEPOT.		
HE APPROACHED THE GREETING PARTY,		
CALLED HIM A "NIGGER," STATED HE DID NOT LIKE "NIGGERS" AND WAS		
THEREUPON ARRESTED BY ST. PETERSBURG PD ON CHARGE OF BEING DRUNK.		
TAMPA INDICES NEGATIVE ON TAMPA TEL FIVE TWENTY FOUR P. M.		
TODAY ADVISED WOULD DEPART TAMPA NORTHEAST		
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AIRLINES FOUR FORTY FIVE P. M. TODAY. THE THREE DEPARTED FOUR		
THIRTY P. M. SAME FLIGHT SAME DESTINATION AS RETEL. BUS ARRIVED		
ST. PETERSBURG FIVE FOURTEEN P. M. THREE FREEDOM RIDERS ARRIVING		
ST. PETERSBURG IDENTIFIED AS NEGRO MALE,		
NEGRO, AND WHITE FEMALE,		
WHO ARRIVED ST. PETERSBURG IN FIRST SECTION. SAC		
CONTACT PROTECT IDENTITY - ADVISED THAT SEVEN FREEDOM		
RIDERS PRESENTLY IN ST. PETERSBURG HAVE INDICATED THEY WILL LEAVE		
TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TWELVE FORTY A. M. JUNE SEVENTEEN FOR		
NEW YORK, WHICH CONFIRMS PREVIOUS INFORMATION FURNISHED BY TAMPA.		
ON ARRIVAL AT ST. PETERSBURG GREYHOUND BUS STATION, THE THREE FREEDOM		
RIDERS WERE MET BY WHITE MALE.		
WENT INTO LUNCH AREA, REQUESTED SERVICE AND		
WERE GIVEN SAME. NEGRO MALE, TESTED MENS ROOM.		
THREE NEGRO MALES NOT ASSOCIATED WITH FREEDOM RIDERS SEPARATELY		
ENTERED EATING AREA BUS STATION,, REQUESTED SERVICE AND WERE		
SERVED. NO INCIDENTS AT BUS STATION. APPROXIMATELY SEVENTY FIVE		
TO ONE HUNDRED PEOPLE, BOTH NEGRO AND WHITE, PRESENT ON ARRIVAL OF		
BUS. THE DEPARTED BUS STATION IN		
AUTOMOBILE OF		
ST. PETERSBURG. CONCERNING FOUR O-CLOCK		
WORKSHOP AT SECOND BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, SAC CONTACT ADVISED		
APPROXIMATELY TWENTY FIVE PERSONS CONSISTING OF A MIXED GROUP IN		
ATTENDANCE. MEETING WAS OF WORKSHOP TYPE, WAS CONDUCTED IN A		
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RATHER INCOHERENT MANNER, BUT MAIN THING DISCUSSED WAS THAT THE		
LOCAL NEGROES WERE EXHORTED TO FOLLOW UP ON INTEGRATION OF LUNCH		
COUNTERS, ETC. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED AT WORKSHOP. FOLLOWING IS		
RESULT OF INDICES CHECK ON PERSONS IDENTIFIED IN MY TEL TWO		
ZERO FIVE P. M9 TODAY AS PARTICIPANTS IN ACTIVITIES AT ST.		
PETERSBURG. POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH		
NEGRO, LISTED AS		
AND ST. PETERSBURG COUNCIL ON HUMAN RELATIONS		
UNDER AUSPICES OF ST. PETERSBURG COUNCIL OF CHURCHES.		
POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH NEGRO,		
ASSOCIATED WITH GIBBS JR. COLLEGE, ST. PETERSBURG.		
PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH		
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SUBJECT THIS CASE IS AND		
FORMER SI SUBJECT. FILE REFLECTS SUBJECT WAS MEMBER OF CP IN		
MICHIGAN IN FORTYSIX AND WAS INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS OCTOBER		
TWENTY FIFTYFOUR. AT THIS TIME HE WAS COOPERATIVE AND FURNISHED		
INFO REFLECTING ON HIS JOINING CPA IN NEW YORK CITY, BEING A		
MEMBER OF THE CHELSEA SEAMENS CLUB IN FIFTYFOUR, AND OTHER		
ACTIVITIES IN BEHALF OF CP. WAS REMOVED FROM SI APRIL		
SIXTEEN FIFTYFIVE. POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH		
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BETHEL AME CHURCH, ST.		
PETERSBURG, WHO ALONG WITH ONE ATTEMPTED TO SEEK		
SERVICE AT EATING COUNTER, MAAS BROTHERS DEPARTMENT STORE, ST.		
PETERSBURG, MARCH TWO, SIXTY. THIS SAME REPORTEDLY		
LED A GROUP OF ABOUT THIRTY MALE AND FEMALE NEGROES IN ATTEMPTING		
TO OBTAIN EATING SERVICE AT KRESS STORE, ST. PETERSBURG, MARCH		
THIRTY, SIXTY. LEON COX MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH PERSON OF SAME NAME		
WHO ST. PETERSBURG TIMES OF JANUARY TWENTY, SIXTYONE DESCRIBED AS		
A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY ON CIVIC ACTION, ST. PETERSBURG, WHICH		
GROUP IS SEGMENT OF NAACP. MAY BE IDENTICAL		
WITH WHO ALLEGEDLY CIRCULATED THE MAGAZINE		
QUOTE USSR UNQUOTE AT INSTITUE OF WORLD PEACE MEETING SPONSORED		
BY FLORIDA WEST CENTRAL ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN		
CHURCH AND MINISTERS AND SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE HELD MADEIRA		
BEACH, FLA., MAY TWENTYTWO, SIXTY. REFERRED TO		
IN MY TEL OF FIVE TWENTYFOUR P. M. TODAY AS ST.		
PETERSBURG NAACP HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN ORGANIZING DEMONSTRATIONS TO		
END RACIAL BIAS AT LUNCH COUNTERS IN ST. PETERSBURG AREA. HE		
HAS BEEN		
ST. PETERSBURG AND WAS ALLEGEDLY QUOTE UNQUOTE		
IN TAMPA. LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.		
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At 11:50 p.m., 6/18/61, SAC Weeks, Atlanta, was called with regard to the freedom riders scheduled to leave Nashville, Tennessee, at 10:30 p.m., 6/18/61, for Atlanta where they are to join other freedom riders and proceed to Montgomery, Alabama, and Jackson, Mississippi.

At 1:33 a.m. 6/19/61, SA Atlanta advised that had not been aware of the change in plans whereby the freedom riders were coming to Atlanta instead of going to Montgomery from Nashville. Bernard/Lee of the Freedom Ride Coordinating Committee, telephoned his Nashville office and determined that the group had actually left Nashville at 10:30 p.m., 6/18/61, en route to Atlanta. Lee did not know their arrival time. He stated that mine other freedom riders would join the Nashville group in Atlanta and they would then proceed to Montgomery, Alabama, and Jackson, Mississippi. Lee said that the details of the trip including departure time would be worked out on the morning of 6/19/61.

The Greyhound bus depot, Washington, D. C., advised that the bus leaving Nashville at 10:30 p.m., is scheduled to arrive in Atlanta at 6:40 a.m.

Lee is to keep advised of all developments and will recheck with Lee early Monday morning. was instructed to call the Bureau as soon as he has the details of the group's itinerary.

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SUBJECT:

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At 8:50 a.m., SAC D. K. Brown called from Jacksonville to advise that the group of rabbi and minister freedom riders arrived at 7:34 a.m. EST (8:34 a.m. Washington time). There were about six plainclothesmen in the Greyhound Bus Depot and there were many photographers and reporters. There were only ten or twelve general spectators present but of the Florida Klan was in the bus station apparently as an observer.

The five freedom riders who were to leave Daytona Beach this morning departed at 5:30 a.m. EST and arrived by Greyhound bus at 7:32 a.m. EST (8:32 a.m., Washington time). The group consisted of two colored males, two colored females and one white female.

There have been no incidents at Jacksonville to the present time.

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MISC. SAC J. F./Santoiana, Jr., of the Tampa Office advised at 9:10 p.m., 6/16/61, that the Daytona Beach group of the Freedom Riders, consisting of five NAACP members, left Ocala, Florida, at 4:28 p.m., and proceeded to Tampa, Florida, where they arrived at 6:49 p.m. At Tampa they proceeded to the ticket window of the Greyhound bus station and asked what time the next bus for Orlando, Florida, would be leaving. The next bus is at 6 a.m., tomorrow morning, 6/17/61. One of the Riders stated "Let's call and they proceeded to make a telephone call.

They we <u>re picked up by</u> a white station wagon, 61
Florida license This vehicle is registered to
who resides in Tampa and is the
for the NAACP. AKA
A check was made at the residence of and the

While at Tampa no tests were made of the facilities of the bus station.

Another group of Freedom Riders is scheduled to leave Tampa at 12:55 a.m., 6/17/61, for New York by plane. SAC Santoiana stated they are alert to the fact that the Daytona Beach group may go to the airport to see this group off.

Riders were there.

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One of the five <u>freedom riders</u> arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, today at the Greyhound bus station claims to be employed as a laboratory technician by the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) at Ithaca, New York. It is noted that there is no AEC installation in Ithaca.

SAC Maynor of the New Orleans Office advised that one of the five freedom riders arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, today gave her name as She is described as white, female, born in New York, on Her residence address is given as New York. She claims to be employed as Tor the AEC at Ithaca, New York, and a graduate of Cornell University.

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Inquiry with the AEC has disclosed that it does not have any installations in Ithaca, New York.

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SAC D. K. Brown of the Jacksonville Office advised that group two continuous the interfaith group this evening proceeded to the Tallahassee airport. This group is composed of 18 individuals. They all bought tickets on Eastern Airlines Flight 268, destination New York. When they arrived at the airport, the restaurant facilities were closed along with restroom facilities ostensively because plumbers were working on them.

When the flight was called eight boarded the plane and the remaining ten stayed in the terminal. These individuals stated they would stay all night or for a month if necessary until the restaurant and restroom were opened.

The Tallahassee City Commissioners had a meeting and instructed the Chief of Police to close the airport completely after the last flight leaves at 11:42 p.m. EST. At that time they will be asked to leave and if they do not they will be put out of the terminal.

SAC Brown advised that this development is being closely followed in view of its potential for creating an incident.

SAC Brown further advised that the second part of the professional group arrived at the Greyhound bus terminal in Jacksonville at 5:15 p.m. EST. They were met by members of the first group of the professional group and tested facilities with no incidents. They are scheduled to stay overnight at various private residences.

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FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/ 2P

FREEBUS, RM. STUDENT CENTRAL COMMITTEE, NASHVILLE, TENN., ADVISED SIX, FIFTEEN, SIXTYONE, THAT FIVE FREEDOM RIDERS WILL LEAVE NASHVILLE AT ONE AM JUNE, SIXTEEN, SIXTYONE BY GREYHOUND BUS ENROUTE TO JACKSON, MISS., VIA MEMPHIS. GROUP WILL CHANGE BUSES MEMPHIS AT APPROXIMATELY SIX FORTYFIVE AM JUNE SIXTEEN, SIXTYONE AND SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN JACKSON TWELVE FORTYFIVE PM, SAME DATE. WILL TEST FACILITIES IN JACKSON. PERSONS IN GROUP ARE WF. WM, BOTH OF WHOM ARRIVED NASHVILLE JUNE, FIFTEEN, SIXTYONE BY PLANE RATHER THAN BY AUTOMOBILE, AS INDICATED IN ALBANY TEL TO BUREAU JUNE NINE, SIXTYO ET JUN 20 1961 NM. CHICAGO. ILL. SEE CHICAGO TELETYPE DATED JUNE FOURTEEN. SIXTYONE. WF, FROM

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OKLAHOMA. WF, FROM NEW YORK CITY.
STATES THAT THEY ARE ATTEMPTING TO FORM ANOTHER GROUP TO
LEAVE FOR JACKSON WITHIN THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS AND PLANS
THAT THIS GROUP WILL GO BY WAY OF BIRMINGHAM AND MONTGOMERY,
SINCE NO LONGER A FEDERAL COURT INJUNCTION AT MONTGOMERY.
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS JACKSONVILLE AND TAMPA

FROM SAC, SAVANNAH /157-273/

FREE BUS DASH RACIAL MATTERS, CORE DASH RACIAL MATTERS. REMYTEL FIRST SECTION, GROUP ONE, PROFESSIONAL GROUP, COMPOSED OF SEVEN INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING TWO WHITE MALES, ONE WHITE FEMALE, THREE NEGRO MALES AND ONE NEGRO FEMALE, WERE AMONG TWENTYNINE PASSENGERS ARRIVING GREYHOUND BUS STATION, SAVANNAH, GA., NINE TWENTYFIVE AM ON BUS MARKED MIAMI EXPRESS, NUMBER M FIVE THREE SEVEN THREE. THE FREEDOM RIDERS-MISC USED WHITE REST ROOMS AND WHITE WAITING ROOM IN BUS STATION AND USED LUNCH COUNTER ON INTEGRATED BASIS. DID NOT ATTEMPT TO USE CAFETERIA LOCATED IN BUS STATION. FREEDOM RIDERS WERE MET BY PHOTO GRAPHERS FROM LOCAL NEWSPAPER AND TV STATIONS AND SAVANNAH POLICE WERE PRESENT. THERE WERE NO CROWDS AND NO INCIDENTS IN SAVANNAH. INSTANT GROUP DEPARTED ON SAME BUS AT NINE FORTYTWO AM. IT IS ESTIMA-TED THEY WILL ARRIVE BRUNSWICK, GA . FOR BRIEF REST STOP IN ONE HOUR FORTYFIVE MINUTES SCHEDULED TO ARRAVE JACKSONVILLE, FLA., TWELVE END PAGE ONE

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FORTYFIVE PM, TODAY, HOWEVER, INSTANT BUS IS RUNNING LATE AND IT IS ESTIMATED IT WILL ACTUALLY ARRIVE JACKSONVILLE ABOUT ONE ZERO FIVE PM TODAY. DETAILS REGARDING SECOND SECTION OF PROFESSIONAL GROUP WILL BE FURNISHED IMMEDIATELY WHEN RECEIVED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, CHARLOTTE

FROM SAC, SAVANNAH /157-83/ 2 P

POSSIBLE NEGRO DEMONSTRATION, GREYHOUND BUS STATION, COLUMBIA, S.C.

JUNE FIFTEEN INSTANT, RACIAL MATTERS. RE MYTEL JUNE SEVEN LAST.

CHIEF J. PRESTON STROM, 'NA, S.C. LAW ENFORCEMENT DIV., FURNISHED

FOLLOWING INFO TODAY -- AT APPROXIMATELY TEN AM, CONTIENGENT WITH

THREE NEGRO MALE FREEDOM RIDERS, WERE AT GREYHOUND BUS STATION,

GREENWOOD, S.C., WHERE THEY HAD ARRIVED EARLIER VIA GREYHOUND BUS

FROM ANDERSON, S.C. RIDERS PURCHASED TICKETS AT GREENWOOD; VIA GREYHOUN

DESTINATION COLUMBAI, S.C., DEPARTING GREENWOOD TEN TWENTYEIGHT AM AND

TRAVELING VIA MC CORMICK, S.C. NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS AT GREENWOOD,

S.C. INQUIRY BUS STATION, COLUMBIA, S.C., INDICATES INSTANT BUS

SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE COLUMBIA, S.C., ONE FORTYFIVE PM TODAY. CAPT.

COLUMBIA, S.C., PD, NOTIFIED ELEVEN ZERO FIVE AM.

ADVISED HE WAS AWARE THAT SEVERAL BUS LOADS OF FREEDOM RIDERS

ARE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE COLUMBIA IN AFTERNOON INSTANT DATE.

ALSO ADVISED COLUMBIA POLICE OFFFCERS ON DUTY AT BUS STATION. CHIEF

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TROUBLE SPOTS THROUGHOUT STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND ARRANGEMENTS

EFFECTED WHEREBY HE IS TO NOTIFY FBI, COLUMBIA, IMMEDIATELY OF ALL

DEVELOPMENTS AS THEY OCCUR. CHARLOTTE EXPECTED TO ENSURE SAVANNAH

NOTIFIED OF ANY AND ALL ACTIVITIES OF FREEDOM RIDERS YOUR AREA

WHOSE DESTINATION COLUMBIA, S.C., OR OTHER AREAS OF ANX SAVANNAH

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FREE BUS. RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND PHOENIX, JUNE LAST. TUCSON CHAPTER OF CORE ANNOUNCED TODAY IN THE TUCSON CITIZENS PAPER, JUNE SIXTEENTH, INSTANT, THAT IT HAD DECIDED SEND FIVE TUCSON CITIZENS, NOT YET CHOSENN OR NAMED, ON A FREEDOM THE FIVE FREEDOM RIDERS WILL LEAVE TO FACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, TUCSON MONDAY FOR NEW ORLEANS WHERE THEY WILL BE TRAINED IN NON DASH RESISTANCE PROCEEDURES BY CORE WORKERS. CORE HAS DECIDED TO SEND AN OPEN LETTER JO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI CITY OFFICIALS STATING THEIR INTENTION TO VISIT JACKSON BY BUS. NEW ORLEANS WILL BE KEPT ADVISED. END AND ACK PLS.

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Re Bureau airtel to Mobile, 5/22/61, and Mobile airtel to Bureau, 6/12/61.

The following is the statistical data compiled in connection with the Freebus Special at Montgomery, Ala., for the week ending 6/10/61:

Agent Hours

70 hrs. 45 min.

Clerical Hours

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61 miles

With regard to unusual expenses, the Mobile Division had no unusual expenses in connection with the Freebus Special for week ending 6/10/61 with the exception of following long distance telephone calls:

25 calls between Mobile and Montgomery.

3 calls between Mobile and New Orleans.

7 calls between Mobile and Washington, D.C.

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Since the Freebus Special at Montgomery, Ala. has been completed, it was suggested in referenced Mobile airtel to Bureau that the New Orleans Division submit cost figures on the Freebus Special directly to Bureau. Costs for New Orleans Division for week ending 6/10/61 have not been included in above statistics.

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Re Bureau airtel to Mobile, 5/22/61.

The following is statistical data compiled in connection with the Freebus Special at Montgomery, Ala., Meridian, Hattiesburg, and Jackson, Miss. for the week ending 5/27/61:

Agent Hours

4,945

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For the week ending 6/3/61:

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With regard to unusual expenses the Mobile Division has estimated that for the two week period

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ending 6/3/61 additional unusual expenses were approximately \$12,000.

New Orleans and Mobile both have not yet received sufficient information from the telephone company to properly estimate additional cost attributable to the Freebus Special.

Since the Freebus Special at Montgomery, Ala. has been completed, it is suggested that in future weeks the New Orleans Division submit cost figures on Freebus Special directly to the Bureau. The Bureau should advise if it desires at a later date specific information concerning unusual costs that have resulted from this Special within the Mobile and New Orleans Division.



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DATE 09-21-2009 BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/STW Date: 6/7/61 Transmit the following in \_ (Type in plain text or code) AIRTEL (Priority or Method of Mailing) CC TO: TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (-100-225892) REQ. REC'D SEP 2 5 1963 SAC, RICHMOND (157-231) FROM: CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY RACIAL MATTERS FREEDOM RIVERS Re Richmond teletype to the Bureau, 6/6/61 and Richmond airtels to the Bureau, 6/3/61 and 6/6/61. Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies of a letterhead memorandum and copies for Offices receiving this communication. The interview with was conducted by SAs LEADS: SAN ANTONIO: Will check indices concerning and furnish data to Bureau New York and interested Offices. - Bureau (100=225892) (Engl 8) AGENCY / 2 - Atlanta (157-89) (Engl) 2) 2 - Birmingham (157-08) (Encl.2) REQ. REC'D DATE FORW. . 2 - Charlotte (Encl. 2) 2 - Knoxville (Encl. 2) (AM) 2 - Memphis (Encl. 2) 2 - Mobile (Encl. 2)(AM) 2 - New Orleans (157-96)(Encl. 2) (AM) 2 - Savannah (Encl, 2)(AM) 2 - WFO (100-3588)(Encl. 2) 2 - San intonio (Encl. 2)(AM) 2 - New York (Encl. 2)(AM) 3 - Richmond (CFH/vlr)

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## RICHMOND AT DANVILLE, VA.:

Will maintain contact with

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ing her plans to participate in "Freedom Ride" and any other pertinent data which she may furnish.



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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Richmond, Virginia

June 7, 1961

	ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 09-21-2009 BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/STW
	BORN RE: CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY
	On June 6, 1961.
-	Virginia, advised that she became interested in Negro "sit-in" demonstrations in Austin,
	Texas, during the early part of 1960, while she was attending  She stated since September 1960.
	she has been employed at
	She continued that she became interested in "Freedom Riders" through a Divinity
	student at Virginia Union University. She related that she attended a meeting in Richmond, Virginia, with the original "Freedom Riders" after their departure from Washington, D.C. Following this meeting, she volunteered to assist in the "Freedom Ride" movement and she advised of her desires to help this movement. She continued later advised her that her name had been approved as a possible "Freedom Rider", but he did not identify by whom the approval had been made, but she believed it was possibly the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE). Further indicated all expenses regarding the trip would be taken care of and again he did not state by whom, but she believes he was referring to CORE.
[	During contacts with  Atlanta, Georgia, and that the group take a bus from there, stating that the group would not experience any difficulty between Richmond, Virginia, and Atlanta, Georgia. She stated that stating if the group were going by bus, they should go by bus all the way.
	related that she has not been in touch with for several days, and she noted that she had previously advised him that she would not be available a trip

157-387- 299 ENCLOSURE

RE: CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY stated that prior to making any definite plans regarding a "Freedom Ride" trip, she would have to for further details and instructions as contact he is[ <u>in Ric</u>hmond, Virginia. She stated she was not aware of lplans and she did not know whether he or any other students from Virginia Union University had already left Richmond, Virginia. declared that if she could not contact she probably would not make the trip as a "Freedom Rider", as she knew no one else in authority to contact for instructions. stated she plans to leave Virginia, on June 7 or 8, 1961 to go to her home in Virginia, where she could be contacted at her residence telephone number SW 29457, which is listed in the name of She commented if she made plans to go on a "Freedom Ride" expedition, she would advise the Richmond Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning her plans. On June 6, 1961, Division of Motor Vehicles, Richmond, Virginia, advised that her files reflected that Virginia, was issued 1961 Virginia license number for a two door 1959 Buick sedan, motor number Operator's License Section. Division of Motor Vehicles, Richmond, Virginia, advised that Operator's License No issued December 14, 1960 to Virginia. descriptive data as race (believed to relate ; sex, female; weight, lbs.; height. brown eyes, black hair; born occupation Virginia. It should be noted that previous Operator's License issued December 14, 1954 expiring December 31, 1957, contained the same residence address and descriptive data, but the year of birth was listed as Richmond Police Department, Richmond, Virginia, on June 6, 1961, advised that her files contained no information concerning

RE: CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY

On June 6, 1961, Major

Officer. Richmond Police Department, and Major

Richmond Police Department, Richmond, Virginia, advised that they have no additional information concerning the "Freedom Ride" expedition or proposed activities of this group.

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> Jacksonville, Florida June 9, 1961

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HAVANA SPECIAL NUMBER 75 RE: FLORIDA EAST COAST RAILROAD EN ROUTE TO MIAMI, JUNE 5, 1961

Chief Investigator of the Florida East Coast Railroad, on June 7, 1961, advised there had been no effort in the past two years to separate races on trains, dining cars, waiting rooms, and other facilities by the Florida East Coast Railroad. He advised he has received no complaint concerning Train Number 75, or any other information whatsoever that "Freedom Riders" were riding their trains or anticipated doing so. He advised he had no information that any trouble was anticipated on that particular train.

Lieutenant Jacksonville Police Department, and Central Intelligence Corps, Jacksonville, Florida, on June 7, 1961, were furnished the information received regarding this train.

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An integrated group peacefully demonstrated at the Trailways bus terminal in Chicago 6/10/61. They carried signs and distributed leaflets in support of freedom riders.

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reportedly telephoned CORE in some other city 6/9/61 requesting that	$\neg$
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At a klan meeting, East Chattanooga, Tennessee	
Imperial Wizard, Dixie Klan of Chattanooga, stated that drivers of freedom ride	
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A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

#### DETAILS

Six freedom riders were arrested upon their arrival at Jackson, Mississippi, at 5:20 PM (Central Standard Time) 6/10/61. They traveled from Nashville to Jackson by Greyhound bus. The trip and arrests were without incident. Trial is scheduled for 6/12/61.

Six freedom riders were arrested upon their arrival in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:02 PM (Central Standard Time) 6/11/61. They traveled by Greyhound bus from Nashville, Tennessee. The trip and the arrests were without incident.

As of 3:00 PM (Central Standard Time) 6/11/61, a total of 110 freedom riders had been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, since 5/24/61. Twenty-two have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payments of fines, and 84 remain in custody. Those who are in custody in the county jail are taking their meals; however, eight freedom riders in the city jail are refusing to eat.

The press reports that the Hinds County Board of Supervisors, Jackson, Mississippi, has prepared papers for the purpose of transferring some of the freedom riders to work camps where they will chop cotton and do other manual labor.

The Senate Judiciary Committee of the Alabama State Legislature

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on 6/9/61 returned a favorable report on a bill to outlaw freedom rides in Alabama. The bill reportedly is based upon the premise that freedom rides will likely cause riots and the bill provides penalties of \$300 and/or imprisonment for six months. CORE, New York City, advised on 6/10/61 that two groups of freedom riders will leave Washington, D. C., 6/13/61 by Greyhound bus. One group consisting of 18 clergymen will leave in the morning and make stops in Raleigh, North Carolina; Sumter, South Carolina; Jacksonville, Florida; and will terminate their trip in Tallahassee, Florida, arriving there at 12:30 PM, 6/15/61. The second group consisting of 14 persons will leave Washington, D. C., on two additional buses, 6/13/61, making stops at Wilmington, North Carolina; Charleston, South Carolina; Jacksonville, Florida; Tampa, Florida; and terminating their trips in St. Petersburg, Florida, at 12:45 PM, and 5:10 PM, 6/16/61. stated there were no plans for originating a freedom ride from New York. Identities of riders not yet known. More details being obtained.

	Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
	a white male from Washington, D. C., was arrested in Jackson, Mississippi. on 5/24/61 as a freedom rider. An Atlanta informant has advised that is a good friend of a student at Atlanta University.
	is currently serving a 30-year sentence
	have been involved in Communist Party (CP) activities and has reportedly made pro-Soviet statements.
	Yellow Springs, Ohio, was arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, as a freedom rider on 5/24/61. Information has been received that he is
	at the Southern Farmer, Inc., a publishing house which is owned and/or operated at Montgomery,
	Alabama, by Aubrey Willis Williams. Williams is national chairman of the National Committee to Abolish the Un-American Activities Committee. It has been reported in "The New York Times" that six of the founding leaders of this
_	organization have been publicly accused of being communists.
L	An integrated group peacefully demonstrated at the Trailways bus terminal in Chicago on 6/10/61. They carried signs and distributed leaflets in support of the freedom riders.
	a member of Core, Chicago, reportedly telephonically furnished information to Core in some other city on 6/9/61 requesting that who left Chicago last week to engage in a freedom ride, be removed from the ride because believes she is subversive. It is noted that was among the freedom riders who were arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, on She has visited as a member of

Information has been received that a meeting of various klan officials was held at East Chattanooga, Tennessee, on 6/4/61. Jack Brown, Imperial Wizard, Dixie Klan of Chattanooga, presided and was joined by Marion Roberts, Grand Dragon, Dixie Klan of Chattanooga; and Kenneth Adams, Grand Dragon, Dixie Klan of Alabama; in leading the discussion. Approximately 25 persons were in attendance.

Brown stated that drivers of freedom ride buses must be stopped and
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ort ce to the store and take the agitators out the back door. He stated that that would be the end of the agitators.

Kenneth Adams stated that in the Government hearings in Montgomery, Alabama, the Government was in possession of records and recordings that should not have been available to them. Adams said that he took the Fifth Amendment to all questions asked of him at the hearing. He claimed that he knew two or three days in advance that the "freedom rioters" were coming and was prepared for their arrival. He said that he and several others expect to be arrested in the near future as a result of the FBI investigation.

After the meeting Adams told a small group that the klan must be very careful as the FBI is up to the minute on klan activities and know when, where and who attends klan meetings. Adams also remarked that the FBI knows more about the klan than he does.

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DATE: June 16, 1961

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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8-12-96

One-hundred and eleven freedom riders/arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, since 5/24/61. Twenty-nine have been released on bond; four have been released upon paying fines and 78 remain in custody.

Forty-five freedom riders were transferred from Jackson to the Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi, on 6/15/61.

All freedom riders in the Jackson city jail are eating. Fifteen of those in custody at the Hinds County jail are refusing food.

Five freedom riders were scheduled to leave Nashville, Tennessee, at 1:00 a.m., 6/16/61 by Greyhound bus to arrive at Jackson, Mississippi, 12:45 p.m., 6/16/61.

Efforts are being made to form a group of freedom riders to travel from Nashville to Jackson via Birmingham and Montgomery, Alabama.

freedom riders reportedly leaving with a group from San Francisco 6/17/61 for New Orleans and Jackson, may be identical with individuals of the same names who have been connected with subversive activities.

Contemplated freedom ride from St. Louis has been postponed and there are no definite plans for any freedom ride to originate from St. Louis. Charles R. Oldham, National Chairman, Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), will travel from St. Louis to Jackson 6/16/61.

South Carolina freedom riders proceeded to Columbia, South Carolina, 6/15/61 without incident. **REC- 18** 

Eight Negroes sat at white lunch counter at Kress store, Columbia, 6/15/61. Service was refused but no incident occurred.

1 - Mr. Mohr

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Five freedom riders from Daytona Beach, Florida, proceeded through Tallahassee to Thomasville, Georgia, and back to Tallahassee, 6/15/61. There were no incidents. They plan to proceed through Gainesville and Ocala to Tampa and then return to Daytona Beach, 6/16/61.

Union and professional group arrived at Jacksonville 6/15/61 and spent the night in private homes. They are to leave in two groups for St. Petersburg 6/16/61 arriving at St. Petersburg 12:45 p.m. and 3:55 p.m., 6/16/61.

The group of rabbis and ministers proceeded to Tallahassee, Florida, without incident. Upon arrival at the Tallahassee airport they purchased tickets to New York but when they found the rest rooms closed for plumbing repairs and the restaurant closed, allegedly for a monthly cleaning, nine of the group remained at the Tallahassee airport while the others went to New York.

Those who remained at Tallahassee stated they would remain until the lunchroom opened if they stayed a month. At midnight they were informed by the police that the airport was closed and they left to spend the night at a private home.

The rabbis and ministers have reservations to leave Tallahassee by
Eastern Air Lines at 8:38 a.m. (EST) 6/16/61 for New York:
plan to leave the group at Atlanta to come to Washington, D.C.

A klansman was observing the freedom riders in the Jacksonville bus station. Another klansman was observed near the bus station in Tallahassee and was taken to the police station where he was admonished.

An explosion demolished a trash can near Vermont Avenue and H Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., at 11:40 p.m., 6/15/61. Anonymous calls were received by the police and the Bureau alleging that additional bombs had been planted in hotels, bus depots and restaurants and would be set off unless the freedom rides are discontinued. The police searched the bus depots but found no bombs.

A freedom rider in Jackson city jail advised police that CORE officials plan to meet with Attorney General 6/16/61 and that Attorney General will arrange for their release from jail.

## ACTION

Memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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## DETAILS

Лa	The following freedom riders were released on \$500 bond each at ackson, Mississippi, $6/14/61$ :
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	a Negro male, who was arrested 5/24/61;
	a white male, who was arrested 5/30/61;
	a Negro female, who was arrested 6/7/61.
of tr	Since 5/24/61, 111 freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson. wenty-nine have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment fines and 78 remain in custody. Forty-five of the freedom riders were ansferred from Jackson to the Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, ississippi, on 6/15/61.
ad 6/	All freedom riders now in custody at the Jackson city jail are eating. ifteen of those in custody at the Hinds County jail in Jackson are refusing food.  Student Central Committee (SCC), Nashville, Tennessee, vised on 6/15/61 that five freedom riders would leave Nashville at 1:00 a.m., 16/61 by Greyhound bus. They will change buses at Memphis and will arrive Jackson, Mississippi, at 12:45 p.m., 6/16/61.
M	also stated that efforts are being made to form another group freedom riders to travel from Nashville to Jackson via Birmingham and ontgomery, Alabama. It is planned that this group will leave Nashville within e next several days.
ar pr	Information has been received from the Congress of Racial Equality CORE), New Orleans, that eleven white and four Negro freedom riders will rive at New Orleans 6/18/61 by train from Berkeley, California. They will roceed to Jackson, Mississippi, by bus 6/19/61 or 6/20/61. CORE, New Orleans, so anticipates a group of freedom riders who may arrive from Arizona 6/18/61.
1 16	The "Berkeley Daily Gazette," Berkeley, California, has reported that orgid/Siegel and Robert Martinson are among a group of eleven freedom riders

who will depart for New Orleans by train 6/17/61. Information has previously been received indicating that one Jorgia Siegel attended classes conducted by the Alameda County Communist Party (CP) on 1/26/61 and 2/9/61.

Information has also been received that one was sent to the Berkeley, California, area in October, 1948, by the Workers Party and that Martinson was active in the Independent Socialist League (ISL) prior to May, 1952.

On 3/6/57 appeared as a defense witness before a military board at Fort Ord, California, and testified that he was then a member of the ISL.

The Workers Party was reportedly formed in April, 1940, as a result of a split within the leadership of the Socialist Workers Party. The Workers Party reportedly changed its name to ISL in 1949.

Charles R. Oldham, national chairman, CORE, St. Louis, advised on 6/15/61 that a meeting of CORE held 6/14/61 decided to postpone the freedom ride which had been contemplated for 6/17/61. There are no definite plans at this time for any freedom ride originating from the St. Louis area. Oldham remarked that he was going to Jackson, Mississippi, by airplane arriving at 7:50 p.m., 6/16/61 but he did not furnish any information as to the nature of his trip.

Two Negro male and one Negro female freedom riders traveled from Anderson, South Carolina, through Greenwood to Columbia, South Carolina, 6/15/61. One Negro male and two Negro female freedom riders appeared at the Spartanburg, South Carolina, bus terminal on 6/15/61 and proceeded to Columbia, South Carolina. Approximately nine or ten other Negroes who were believed by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division to be freedom riders also appeared at the Greyhound bus station in Columbia. Facilities including the lunch counter were tested without incident.

Captain Columbia, South Carolina, Police Department (PD) advised that eight unidentified Negroes whom he assumed to be students from Allen-Benedict College occupied seats at the white lunch counter in the Kress 5 & 10¢ store on 6/15/61. Service was refused but no incident occurred.

A group of five freedom riders consisting of two Negro males, two Negro females and one white female left Daytona Beach, Florida, at 5:30 a.m., 6/15/61 by Greyhound bus and traveled to Jacksonville departing from Jacksonville at 8:27 a.m., 6/15/61 by Greyhound bus. They tested the facilities at Lake City and at Tallahassee where they ate in what had formerly been a dining room reserved for the white race. From Tallahassee they traveled by Trailways bus to Thomasville, Georgia, where they tested the facilities and returned to Tallahassee arriving there at 3:50 p.m. They then went to the Negro church and spent the night at home. There were no incidents in connection with the travel of this group.

The Daytona Beach freedom riders planned to leave Tallahassee by Greyhound bus at 9:30 a.m. (EST), 6/16/61 proceeding to Tampa, via Gainesville and Ocala, Florida. They are scheduled to arrive in Ocala at 2:25 p.m. (EST), 6/16/61. From Ocala they will go to Tampa by bus or train and will then return to Daytona Beach.

The union and professional group of freedom riders which left Washington, D. C., 6/13/61 en route to St. Petersburg proceeded from Charleston, South Carolina, to Jacksonville, Florida, by Greyhound bus 6/15/61. They traveled in two groups on two separate buses and tested the facilities at Charleston, Beaufort, Savannah and Jacksonville without incident. This group advised the Jacksonville Police that they would spend the night of 6/15/61 at private homes at Jacksonville departing Jacksonville on two Greyhound buses leaving at 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. (EST) 6/16/61 to arrive at St. Petersburg, Florida, at 12:45 p.m. and 3:55 p.m. the same date.

The group of rabbis and ministers who left Washington, D. C. on 6/13/61 en route to Tallahassee, Florida, arrived in Jacksonville, Florida, by Greyhound bus at 7:34 a.m., 6/15/61. They departed for Tallahassee at 8:34 a.m. and tested the facilities at Lake City, Florida, before arriving at Tallahassee at 12:40 p.m., 6/15/61. Upon arriving at the Greyhound bus station in Tallahassee, the group ate in the lunchroom without incident. At 2:40 p.m. they arrived at the Tallahassee airport in private automobiles.

The airport had been sealed off by police who only permitted those having legitimate business to enter the premises. The entire group purchased tickets to proceed to New York City by Eastern Air Lines and discovered that the

plumbers were repairing all rest rooms and that the restaurant was closed, allegedly for a monthly cleaning. When their flight was called all but nine of the group boarded the plane. Nine remained in the terminal building and inquired as to whether the airport was open all night. They were told that it is. One of them remarked that they might as well stay there all night and the group later indicated that they would remain in the building until the lunchroom opened even if they stayed there for a month. The flight departed for New York at about 3:25 p.m.

Chief of Police Frank Stoutamire was instructed by the Tallahassee City Commissionersto close the airport after the last flight left at 11:42 p.m., and to ask any persons who were still there to leave the premises. Stoutamire believed that this action was precipitated by Mayor Cordell and expressed dismay that the Mayor had apparently frustrated the Chief's plan to accommodate the freedom riders and permit them to leave Tallahassee without incident.

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At midnight police asked the group to leave the airport and they went a Negro minister. They have reservations to the home of to leave Tallahassee at 8:38 a.m. (EST), 6/16/61 via Eastern Air Lines to arrive in Atlanta at 10:15 a.m. From Atlanta to proceed to Washington, D. C. where they will arrive at 3:03 p.m., 6/16/61. The others will return to New York from Atlanta. During the time that freedom riders were in the Greyhound bus station at Jacksonville, Florida. a member of the Florida Klan, was at the bus station apparently observing the freedom riders. in turn was closely watched by the police. Shortly after the rabbis and ministers arrived in Tallahassee, Florida, a policeman observed a member of the Tallahassee klavern. was near the bus station talking with six white men. Florida Klan. was requested to go to the police station where he was admonished by Chief of Police Frank Stoutamire and he was detained for over two hours. attempted to enter the bus going to the airport but was turned away by the police.

The Metropolitan PD, Washington, D. C., advised that an explosion occurred at about 11:40 p.m., 6/15/61. The detonation demolished a trash can in the vicinity of Vermont Avenue and H Street, Northwest. Fragments were recovered which were believed to be pieces of a two-inch pipe. There were no injuries and damage was confined to the trash can. Cooperative facilities have been offered to the PD.

At about 12:40 a.m., 6/16/61 the police received an anonymous phone call in which a man alleged that he had come to Washington, D. C., because freedom rides originate here and that he would set off more explosions such as the one on H Street. He alleged that he had planted five pipe bombs in the downtown area.

At 12:46 a.m., 6/16/61 an anonymous male telephoned the Bureau and stated that since Washington is where the laws are made he had planted a number of bombs in hotels, bus depots and restaurants and they would be set off like the bomb had been set off on H Street unless the freedom rides are discontinued.

The police subsequently advised that all bus stations had been searched and no bombs were located.

Chief of Detectives Jackson, Mississippi, PD, advised on 6/15/61 that a freedom rider in the Jackson city jail had stated that CORE officials plan to meet with the Attorney General on 6/16/61 and that the Attorney General will arrange for their release from jail.

b6 b7C With reference to previous information received that two groups of freedom riders will depart Washington, D. C., on 6/13/61, ASAC Howell of the Washington Field Office has furnished the following information.

The two groups, one consisting of 16 individuals with professional and union backgrounds and the other, of 15 or 20 ministers or rabbis, will depart Washington, D. C., by Greyhound bus at 7:45 a.m., 6/13/61.

Both groups plan to spend the night of 6/13/61 at the Payne Hotel, Wilmington, North Carolina. On 6/14/61 both groups plan to stay at private homes in Charleston, South Carolina. On 6/15/61 the groups will be in Jacksonville, Florida; however, it is not known where they will spend the evening. They will complete their journey at St. Petersburg, Florida, on 6/16/61 and both groups plan to leave St. Petersburg by plane on that date. One group will travel to New York City and the other to Newark, New Jersey.

#### ACTION

Washington, D. C. to St. Petersburg, Florida

RACIAL MATTERS

ASAC Howell was instructed to alert pertinent offices covering the states through which the groups will travel and to instruct such offices to alert appropriate local authorities. He was further instructed to keep the Bureau advised of all pertinent developments.

The Attorney General Director, FBI treedom Rider

June 21, 1961

FREEDOM RIDE 1961 BACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS

Fourteen freedom riders arrived at Jackson. Mississippi, from New Orleans, Louisiana, by train on June 20, 1961, and were arrested. They were convicted on the same date and each was sentenced to serve four months in jail and was fined \$200.

One hundred thirty-one freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1961. Forty-three have been released on bond, four have been released upon paying fines, and eighty-four remain in custody. No freedom rider is 50 refusing food at the Jackson City Jail or the Hinds County. Jail.

A group of approximately ten freedom riders arrived at Montgomery, Alabama, from Atlanta, Georgia, by Greyhound bus on June 20, 1961. The police were patrolling the bus station and several small groups of spectators were moved away from the bus station by police. A crowd did gather across the street from the bus station, but no incident occurred.

stated that the freedom riders would spend the night in Montgomery at the home of Reverend Ralph Abernathy and would probably proceed to Jackson Hississippi, on June 21. or June 22. 1961: hovever, definite plans had not been formulated.

Three freedom riders who intended to fly to Tallahassee, Florida, from Washington, D. C., on June 20, 1961, changed their reservations. They are now scheduled to leave Washington at 5:45 p.m., June 23, 1961, by Eastern Air Lines arriving in

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payment of a fine on June 6, 1961. He has stated to the press that he was disappointed over the caliber of people engaged in the freedom rides and he reportedly denounced the freedom rides as being communist inspired.

Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), New York, has written to James Farmer, National Director, CORE, who is presently incarcerated in the Mississippi State Penitentiary as a freedom rider. This letter which was made available by the prison censor indicated that CORE will stage demonstrations at Federal buildings throughout the United States on Saturday, June 24, 1961.

No further details were given. The letter also stated that plans to arrange for James Farmer to be released on bond prior to July 5, 1961, so that he can participate in a telethon scheduled for July 7, 1961.

The Civil Rights Division has requested information as to whether facilities are segregated at the airports in Columbus, Georgia, and Tallahassee, Florida.

At Columbus, Georgia, the waiting room at the air terminal is not segregated. The rest rooms bear signs indicating segregation, but Negroes have recently used the white rest rooms without incident. Negroes are served at the snack bar but are not permitted to take seats. The snack bar is operated by a concessionaire who leases it from the county.

The facilities of the Tallahassee Municipal Airport are controlled by the Tallahassee City Commission, and administers the details of operations out inside the main terminal entrance there is a sign with directional arrows pointing to the colored vaiting room and rest rooms. The rest rooms bear signs indicating segregation.

The restaurant at the Tallahassee airport does not have any signs indicating segregation, but the City Manager has advised that restaurant employees are under instructions to refuse service to Negroes and to direct them to a small lunch counter adjacent to the restaurant. The lunch counter bears a sign which states "Colored."

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The restaurant is leased from the Tallahassee City Commission by the Savarin Corporation, a subsidiary of the American News Company. City Manager Hopkins advised that although the lease makes no reference to segregation, there is a positive verbal agreement to the effect that the lease will be terminated immediately if colored persons are served in the restaurant, added that this verbal agreement was made prior to the signing of the lease and that he, all members of the Tallahassee City Commission and American News Company.

are parties to the verbal agreement.

Full details of our inquiries concerning segregation at the Columbus and Tallahassee airports are being furnished to the Civil Rights Division.

The Department will be promptly advised of pertinent developments.

- 1 Mr. Byron R. White Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall
- Assistant Attorney General Herbert J. Miller, Jr.

The Attorney General Juna 8. 1961 REC- 95/5 7\* Director, FDI ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED PREEDOM RIDE 1961 racial matters; destruction of airceast or riotor vipicles: civil richt Nino additional freedom ridors were arrested upon their arrivel in Jackson. Mississippi, yesterday and triple are tentatively poheduled for today. These were no incidents. A total of 61 freedom riders had been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1001. Severisen have been released on hand, two have been released upon payment of fines and 62 remain in custody. the National Association for the AdvanceFacat of Octored People (NAACP), were in touch with Thile-they, Toro in Atlanta. who is the Congress of Recial Equality (CORE) representative to the Presdom Ride Coordinating Committee, stated that they told him they were traveling as observers only and \_\_\_\_\_\_ ested them "not to touch anything" in Alabana because of the Federal injunction which is outstanding. traveled from Atlanta, Georgia, to Montgomery, Alchama, by Greyhound bus arriving in Montgomery at 11:40 a. m. (Central JUN - 8 191 COMM-FBI Standard Time), June 7, 1961. Upon their expival they were served at the lunch counter in the Greylound but depot without incident. - After leaving the lunchroom, Lone and Sulton were interviewed by the press. They reportedly cald that they were traveling for personal reacons and they disclaimed association with any organization in connection with their trip. They indicated that they would spend the night in Montgomery and welld proceed to Josicson, Missiscippi, by Dalto Airlines on June C, 1901, erriving in Jackson at 8:18 n.m. (Copped Stations Vince). Calleban They also informed the press that they would not test the airport Conrad Visualities at Jacason but that they were going of Jacason to confer with plans togethere. They added that they have detailed the recilities at Montgomery 1 - Mr. Mohr. 1 - Mr. Evans WLM:ers () (14) 点流 1 - Mr. DeLoach TELETYPE UNIT 1267 JUN 27 1961A

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Lone reportedly told the press that in a telegram to the Attorney General he had requested protection from the FISI and they intended to call upon the local FISI cities for protection. No such call has been received and if any such request is racie they will be referred to appropriate local authorities.

With the exception of the comments made to the press at Montgomery, Lene and Sulton are not known to have made any public announcement as to the purpose of their travel.

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It has been reported in the press that the Ciudente Newviolent Coordinating Committee will these at Louisville, Maninchy, from June D through June 11, 1901. Spenkers are to include Reverend Markin Lukker Sing, Jr., Reverend Raigh D. Abernathy, and Junes Former. It has been reported that mass freedess rides may begin in Louisville following this meeting and that these rides may be directed to Fouth Coroline, Georgia, Arhansas, North, Louisians, and Markingsas, an

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Full coverage is being ciforded to all aspects of this matter through the use of informants and confidential courses no well as by vigorous direct investigation. All significant developments will be promptly brought to the attention of the Department.

- 1 Mr. Dyron H. White Deputy Attorney Coneral
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Wilkins addressed an NAACP rally in Jackson 6/7/61. Twelve hundred attended and liberally contributed financially to NAACP. Meeting held without incident.

Wilkins told NAACP rally President was embarrassed in meeting with Khrushchev because of situation in Mississippi and Alabama.

Wilkins also said NAACP is starting a voters registration campaign in seven Mississippi cities and will ask Federal authorities to investigate any violations which are encountered. No reference made to FBI or Department of Justice at NAACP rally.

Eight freedom riders scheduled to travel from New Orleans to Jackson, Mississippi, by Illinois Central Train "City of New Orleans," arriving 10:10 a.m., CST, 6/8/61. They will enter the white waiting room upon arrival at Jackson.

Negroes using white benches at Jackson municipal zoo 6/6/61 were ignored by police and no incident occurred.

Governor Patterson instructed that his department is to have no further working relationship with the FBI. They are to furnish no information to the FBI and are to accept no information from the FBI.

Governor Patterson has nothing against the Director or the FBI but is doing this to spite the Attorney General because the Governor stated the Attorney General had publicly described the Governor as being untrustworthy and had classified him with moodlums and gangsters. This hurt the Governor's pride deeply and he does not want an agency under his leadership to associate in any manner with an agency under the leadership of the Attorney General.

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Speakers at the Congress of Racial Equality rally to be held in Washington, D. C., 6/11/61, will include Victor Reuther, Presidential Assistant of the United Automobile Workers; James Carey, President of the International Union of Electrical Workers; James Baldwin, an author; and Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., Vice President of Americans for Democratic Action.

Freedom rally at Mount Olivet Baptist Church, New York City, 6/5/61, produced contributions of over \$1,400 in checks alone. Approximately 1,000 persons were in the church and 2,000 listened outside.

Negroes in South Carolina allegedly are planning a mass freedom ride to Columbia, South Carolina, on 6/15/61 from various cities in South Carolina.

Florida East Coast Railroad representative denies any segregation of their facilities during past two years and has received no complaint regarding alleged segregation on "Havana Special" at Jacksonville 6/5/61.

### ACTION

A memorandum is being prepared for the information of the Attorney General.

### DETAILS

Three Negro freedom riders arrived in Jackson, Mississippi, from St. Louis aboard Delta Airlines at 4:59 p.m., Central Standard Time (CST), 6/7/61. They were arrested without incident when they attempted to use white facilities at the airport and trial has been tentatively scheduled for 3:00 p.m., CST, 6/8/61.

Six freedom riders departed from Nashville, Tennessee, by Trailways Bus at 1:10 a.m., 6/7/61, arriving at Memphis, Tennessee, 6:25 a.m. At Memphis they ate in the white restaurant and tested other white facilities in the bus station without incident. The group continued to Jackson, Mississippi, by Trailways Bus, arriving at 1:12 p.m., CST, 6/7/61. The three white members of the group entered the Negro waiting room and the three Negro members entered the white waiting room. All were arrested without incident and charged with breach of the peace when they refused to comply with instructions of the police that they move on. Trial is tentatively scheduled for 6/8/61.

Since 5/24/61, 81 freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, 17 have been released on bond, two have been released upon payment of fines and 62 remain in custody.

Mark Lane, member of the New York State Legislature, and Percy Sutton, President of the New York Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), arrived at Montgomery, Alabama, 11:40 a.m., CST, 6/7/61, and in an interview with the press they stated that they would spendithe night at the home of Reverend Solomon Seay, Sr., and would leave Montgomery at 7:36 a.m., CST, 6/8/61, via Delta Airlines, arriving at Jackson, Mississippi, at 9:13 a.m., CST.

Sutton and Lane advised the press that they did not intend to test the facilities at the Jackson airport but were going to Jackson to confer with constituents. They would not explain or expand on this although the press specifically questioned them in this regard. They didistate they had tested the facilities at Montgomery because they had heard the facilities had been desegregated and wanted to verify this.

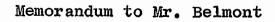
without incident, 6/7/61.

Lane reportedly told the press that in a telegram to the Attorney General he had requested protection from the FBI and that they intended to contact the local FBI Office for protection. No such contact has been made and no protection will be furnished. Any such request will be referred to appropriate local authorities.

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	Alabama, received a telephone call from Rex Thomas of the
	Associated Press inquiring as to whether the activities of
Γ	were in violation of the Federal injunction against
-	freedom riding in Alabama. Davis told that he did not wish
	to comment until he has had an opportunity to discuss the case
•	with U. S. District Judge Frank M. Johnson, Jr., who issued the
	restraining order. The judge is out of town and will return
	6/12/61.
_	During the conversation with United States Attorney Davis,
	mentioned that the press had received information from the
	Governor's Office, alerting them to the arrival in Montgomery of
	Lane and Sutton.
	Other than the comments made to the press at Montgomery
	by Lane and Sutton, no information has been received indicating
	that they publicly announced the purpose of their trip to Alabama.
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*	(CORE), Atlanta, Georgia, advised on 6/7/61 that
	informed him when they passed through Atlanta that they were going
	to Alabama and Mississippi as observers only.
	the Freedom Ride Coordinating Committee,
	stated that he requested "not to touch anything"
	in Alabama because of the Federal injunction which is outstanding.
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	Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary, NAACP, arrived at
	Jackson, Mississippi, by plane at 1:55 p.m., CST. He made no
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Roy Wilkins was the principal speaker at an NAACD mally held in Jackson on the evening of 6/7/61. It was estimated that 1,200 persons were in attendance and they reportedly made a liberal financial contribution to NAACP although the amount involved was not made available. The meeting was held without incident.

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Wilkins stated at the NAACP rally that the President was embarrassed in his exchanges with Khrushchev because he could not honestly plead for democracy in Laos with Khrushchev looking over his shoulder to read the headlines about Mississippi and Alabama. No mention was made of the FBI or Department of Justice. Wilkins also stated that the NAACP is starting a voters registration campaign in seven cities in Mississippi. He did not identify the cities but he did say that if any violations are encountered they will ask Federal authorities to investigate.
CORE representative advised on 6/7/61 that a group of freedom riders consisting of four Negro males, three white females and one Negro female will depart from New Orleans at 7:To a.m., CST, 6/8/61, via Illinois Central Train "City of New Orleans" to arrive in Jackson, Mississippi, 10:10 a.m., CST, 6/8/61. They will enter the white waiting room upon their arrival at the Jackson railroad station.
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The Governor at first did not desire that tell anyone of these instructions but prevailed upon the Governor to permit him to advise SAC Held of the Mobile Office and Senior



has never seen the Governor so angry and there is nothing he can do at this time to change the Governor's attitude. Prior to the freedom rides the Governor had a very favorable opinion of the FBI and
has always been a good friend of the Bureau and has always given the Bureau full cooperation.
Although he is
not certain at this time how far it will be necessary to carry this action, the Governor's instructions could involve not only the highway patrol but also the state investigative agency, as well as the Driver's License Bureau and the Automobile Registration Bureau. will make every effort to minimize the effects of the Governor's order if he possibly can

The press has reported that the Students Nonviolent Coordinating Committee will hold a meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, on 6/9/61 through 6/11/61. This will reportedly be attended by students from Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Maryland, Richmond, Virginia, and Louisville. Speakers are to include Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., James Farmer and Reverend Ralph B. Abernathy.

"The Louisville Defender," a weekly newspaper with a circulation among the Negro population in Louisville, has stated that the next mass freedom rides may begin in Louisville following the above conference and that these rides may be directed to South Carolina, Georgia, Little Rock, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi.

It has been announced that speakers at the CORE rally to be held in Washington, D. C., 6/11/61, will include Victor Reuther, Presidential Assistant of the United Automobile Workers; James Carey, President of the International Union of Electrical Workers; James Baldwin, an author; and Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., Vice President of Americans for Democratic Action.

A freedom rally sponsored by the New York Division of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and the Social Action Commission of the Empire State Baptist Convention was held on the evening of 6/5/61 at the Mount Olivet Baptist Church, New York City. Information has been received that over \$1400 in checks alone was donated for the SCLC. Approximately 1,000 persons were in the church and another 2,000 listened to the rally through loud speakers set up outside the church. Reverend Ralph Abernathy told the meeting that money alone sent to Alabama and Mississippi, without the presence of people from the North, will prolong the fight for total freedom in all states.

South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, advised that he has reliable information indicating that Negroes are planning a freedom ride 6/15/61. They intend to board Greyhound buses at Spartanburg, Greenville, Orangeburg, Florence, Charleston, Anderson and other cities in South Carolina and will travel to Columbia, South Carolina. It was alleged that 10 to 20 Negroes will board each bus and upon arrival in Columbia they plan to create confusion by purchasing tickets at the white ticket counters. They will then assemble at a church in Columbia for a mass meeting.

It has been previously alleged that on 6/5/61 the conductor of the Florida East Coast Railroad train "Havana Special" at Jacksonville, Florida, segregated the passengers.

the railroad who cooperates closely with the Jacksonville, Office, has emphatically stated that there has absolutely been no effort during the past two years to segregate the passengers on Florida East Coast Railroad trains or facilities and that his office has received no complaint

regarding the alleged incident on 6/5/61/

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10 5010-104 UNITED STATES GO NMENT  $\it 1emorandum$ 

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE:

6/16/61

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SUBJECT:

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Freedom Riders - misc

Enclosed are 2 copies each of clippings from daily newspapers published at Montgomery, Ala., pertaining to captioned matter as follows:

<u>Paper</u>	Caption	<u>Date</u>	Page
I destroy Alabama Journal	"CORE" Rapped in Gallion's Talk	6/9/61	1
Alabama Journal	"Rider" Ban OK'd By Senate Group	6/9/61	1
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Alabama Journal	U.S. Opposes Judge's Order About "Riders"	6/9/61	1
Montgomery Advertiser	New York Pair Integrates Station	6/8/61	1
Montgomery Advertiser	Henley Given 30 Days, \$100 Fine For Assault :	6/8/61	1 B

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### CALLED RED VEHICLE

## 'CORE' Rapped In Gallion's Talk

ald Gallion last night charged as the last great bulwark across that the Congress of Racial Equal-the path of atheist Communist ity (CORE) is "an active vehicle in the world." serving the causes of communism Directing most of his attack on in America."

wark against communism.

ing politics "fast and loose."

### DISTURBED BY RIOTS

But he warned the audience groups." that outbreaks like those recently in Montgomery, Birmingham and Anniston, "do not serve the cause of righteousness , . . or the cause of the South . . .

"I charge here and now that of any group of people." the cause they (the freedom riders) serve is not the cause of freedom — it is not the cause of democracy — it is not the cause of democracy — it is not the cause of religion — and it is not the cause of some of Americanism.

Citizens Council Chairman, C. H. Lancaster, after his speech, said the council hopes to get evidence and present it to a federal grand jury, charging the U.S. attorney general with conspiring

"It is a cold, calculated, deliberate attack upon America itself

Alabama Atty. Gen. MacDon-|... the very existence of America

CORE, he said "because of its The attorney general accused rather recent origin" it does not "freedom riders" sponsors of a have the "Communist Party ap-"deliberate attack . . upon pendage to its record" in the American as the last great bul-files of the U.S. attorney general, and other government agencies.

Speaking to about 2,500 persons Gallion said that seven of CORE's a d v i's o r y committee Council rally at the State Colimembers are listed in the files seum, Gallion said U.S. Atty Gen. Robert Kennedy is support subcommittee, and "in addition ing the freedom rides and is players listed with CORE have associations with Communist-front

Mayor Earl James, before Gallion spoke, told the crowd that "these outside agitators are only concerned with promoting themselves and not with the welfare

(See GALLION, Page 2-A)

### GALLION

(Continued From Page 1) with the freedom riders. NO ELABORATION

"We are taking steps to get rid of that collosal misfit . . . he declared to the audience, but did not elaborate in his speech.

He outlined what he called a program of offense instead of defense in the fight to preserve segregation.

Commenting on the speech, CORE community relations director Marvin Rich said in New York, "Our purpose is to achieve an America for all, and we think all good Americans should share in working to achieve that pur-

"We invite Mr. Gallion to work to make Alabama a state of which all American may be

> alabama journal Montgomery, Alabana JUNE 9, 1961

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## 'Rider' Ban OK'd By Senate Group

A bill aimed at outlawing "freedom rides" in Alabama cleared the Senate Judiciary Committee today without a dissenting vote.

The measure, bearing the signatures of all 35 members of the Senate, is designed to stop segregation testing bus rides through the state.

It provides a maximum pens alty of a \$300 fine and six months in jail for anyone who announces in advance and then carries out any acts "which are calculated to or will likely or probably so outrage the sense of decency and morals or so violate or transgress the customs, pattern of life and habits of the people of Alabama as to be likely to cause a riot or breach of the peace . . ."

ALABAMA JOURNAL MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA JUNE 9, 1961

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157-387-307 ENCLOSURE

## AT BUS TERMINAL RIOT

# Henley Given 30 Days, \$100 Fine For Assault

A former reserve policeman Levy several times and kicked for Life Magazine and a native

lingwood Ave., was convicted of assaulting two members of a Naassaulting two members of a National Broadcasting Co. team — Loe called Henley "one of our ley in pursuit of Levy. cameraman Maurice Levy and well-known citizens" and conceded soundman H. W. Risser. " that the local man probably The final Uhrbrock picture

who said he was there only as a him after he was knocked down of Georgia, testified he saw Henspectator has been ordered to or had fallen down in the middle ley attack Levy in the area of pay a \$100 fine and serve 30 days of Molton street. Henley shoved the loading ramp at the Greyin jail for assaulting two news- or "stiff-armed" Risser, the Re-men covering the arrival of corder's Court was told.

Claude V. Henley, 37, 340 Colfound Henley guilty on both Prosecutor Dave Crosland en-

Witnesses testified Henley hit thought he was doing a service showed a fallen Levy with Hencourt could not agree that Hen-tographer explained that he was Loe said his court will always a trick on the mob. oppose violence without regard After he had taken the picfor race or creed. This will be tures, Uhrbrock said he heard particularly true of racial vio-someone in the crowd yell "Get lence, he declared.

> further attacks on the newsman, was lost. Loe said in passing sentence.

Morris Dees, the defense attor-ley push Risser. ney, said both convictions will Herbert Kaplow, the reporter be appealed.

Don Uhrbrock, a photographer

to attack the camerman as he "Freedom Riders" here May 20. City Recorder D. Eugene Loe retreated toward Molton street. tered as evidence a series of pic-

to the community. Loe said the ley standing over him. The pla-Ey's actions fit in this category able to save the film by pulling

his film."1

The 30-day sentence was meted He said he handed someone in the Levy beating, which was the mob an unexposed roll of considered the more serious of film and was able to save the the two cases. The assault on exposed roll. However, he said, Risser, though only, a shove, was he was severely beaten by the serious in that it probably led to mob and one of his cameras

Uhrbrock testified he saw Hen-

member of the NBC team, sai (See HENLEY, Page 2A)

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## Henie<sup>\*</sup>

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Henley asked him, "Are you one" of them?"

"No," Kaplow said he answered. Later, he said he saw Henley holding an open picket knife at his side. He did not see the defendant attempt to use the knife. He saw Henley hit Levy several times, he said. He did not see Henley push Risser.

QUESTIONED 'RIDERS'

Kaplow said he had been questioning the "Freedom Riders" about their future plans before the disorder broke out. Kaplow, Risser, Levy and another report er followed the "rider" bus from Birmingham to Montgomery.

Levy, who calls Dallas, Tex. home, told the court, "My duty, is to go where the story goes." ..

Levy said after his arrival here the NBC team immediately went to the unloading docks at the station and began questioning the "Freedom Riders" as the group unloaded. At that time, he said, there seemed to be nothing more. than the usual bus station crowd in the area.

The cameraman said he didnot see Henley until Henley hit him. Levy said he began retreat? ing with Henley in pursuit, Every six or seven feet Henley would hit him, he told the court. After a few blows, several people began hitting him.

FINAL WITNESS

Risser was the final witness for the prosecution. His description of the incidents was similar to the others. He said he was kicked and hit on the side of the head during the melee.

Dees called his law partner, Millalrd Fuller, who testified that he talked with Levy last week when they happened to meet at Dannelly Field. Fuller said the conversation indicated Levy was not able to tell who was hittinghim because of the confusion at the scene.

Maylon Nicholson, a reporter for the Alabama Journal and a defense witness, said Henley called Levy a "nigger lover" and hit him several times. He said he did not see Henley kick Levy and he did not see Risser get

Defense witness Gene Vann said he heard Henley say something to Levy and saw the cameraman turn from facing the "riders" to the direction of Henley. In the process, he said, the lens of Levy's camera hit Henley on the temple. It was then, he declared that he saw Henley push Levy He did not see Henley push of hit anyone else during the following battle.

Vann said he was only at the scene out of "curiosity" and said he did not go there with Henley. HEARD HENLEY SPEAK

Bobby McKissick, Millbrook, said he heard Henley say something about a "nigger lover" before Levy turned, hitting Henley with the leans of the camera.

"Was Mr. Henley there getting the news?" Crosland asked. "Wasn't Mr. Levy doing what he was supposed to be doing when this man called him a nigger lover?"

Under cross - examination, Mc Kissick admitted that the blow from the lens of the camera could have been accidental.

Henley said he was there "merely as a spectator.'

"I was just driving by and saw a crowd," he testified. "I went there with no malice in my heart."

He said he pushed Levy, but only to ward off the camera. "I blame it all on Mr. Levy," h<sub>i</sub>e said.

SHOWS WOUND

He said Levy kicked him on the shin. He showed the court a wound he said was caused by the blow. Later, he said, "I personally believe it was Mr. Levy" that struck the blow. Finally, he said it had to be Levy.

"I know one of the 'Freedom Riders' didn't come over a'n d kick me."

Levy denied kicking Henley.

"Didn't you know he (Levy) was born and raised in Texas when you called him a niggerloving Yankee?" Crosland asked Henley.

"I couldn't care less," he answered.

Henley said he pushed Levy but he did not kick him.

"I was tempted to," he said. "Anyone would have been."

M'I'm glad I controlled my temper," he added.



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FROM:

SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-New)

RE:

PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP

TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

RACIAL MATTERS

Article appearing in the "Los Angeles Times" 6/17/61 reflected the Second Baptist Church will sponsor integrated Freedom Riders bus trip to Jackson, Mississippi, leaving Los Angeles July 12, 1961, according to Dr. J. RAYMOND HENDERSON, Pastor.

In preparation of the trip there will be a Freedom Riders rally at the church, 2412 Griffith Avenue, on June 25, 1961 at 8:00 p.m.

Church members contributed more than \$2,000.00 last Sunday in a special offering to pay for the trip.

The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and New Orleans.

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## Memorandum

Mr. Belmont aff Di

DATE:

6/21/61

Freedom Riders - misc

SUBJECT:

FREEBUS

SYNOPSIS

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED SHICLASSIFING

Fourteen freedom riders arrived at Jackson, Mississippi, from New Orleans, Louisiana, by train 6/20/61 and were arrested. Each was sentenced to serve four months and was fined \$200.

There have been 131 freedom riders arrested at ... Jackson since 5/24/61. Forty-three released on bon'd, four released upon paying fines and 84 remain in custody. All freedom riders at Jackson City Jail and Hinds County Jail are eating. U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Approximately ten freedom riders proceeded from Atlanta, Georgia, to Montgomery, Alabama, 6/20/61, and will probably continue to Jackson, 6/21 or 6/22/61.

Three freedom riders who were to fly from Washington, D. C., to Tallahassee, Florida, 6/20/61, changed their = reservations to 6/23/61.

former freedom rider who criticized the caliber of the freedom riders and denounced the freedom rides as being communist inspired, received an obscene threatening letter.

Airport facilities at Columbus, Georgia, are not segregated; however, Negroes are not seated at the lunch counter although they are served. Rest rooms bear signs indicating segregation, but Negroes have used the white rest rooms without interference.

Airport facilities at Tallahassee are segregated. The restaurant is leased from the City Commission by a concessionaire. Although the lease does not mention segregation, there is a verbal agreement that the lease will be immediately terminated if Negroes are served in the restaurant.

ACTION

A memorandum is being prepared for the information of the Attorney General. 12 JUN 22 1961

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### DETAILS

The group of freedom riders which originated at San Francisco, California, and which proceeded from New Orleans, Louisiana, to Jackson, Mississippi, by train, arrived at 10:14 a.m., CST, 6/20/61. There were 14 in the group when it arrived at Jackson. They entered the white waiting room of the railroad station and were arrested. Each has been sentenced to four months in jail and fined \$200.

There have been 131 freedom riders arrested at Jackson since 5/24/61. Forty-three have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, and 84 remain in custody. All freedom riders in the Jackson City Jail and in the Hinds County Jail are eating.

Approximately ten freedom riders proceeded from Atlanta, Georgia, to Montgomery, Alabama, by Greyhound bus arriving in Montgomery at 5:01 p.m., CST, 6/20/61. Approximately 50 police officers were at the Montgomery bus station. Several small groups of spectators were present and were moved away from the bus station by police. A crowd did gather across the street from the bus station but there was no activity on their part.

The bus station at Montgomery received three anonymous telephone calls on 6/20/61 alleging that bombs had been placed in the Greyhound bus station. The police cleared the area immediately after each call, but no bombs were found. The Montgomery police received an anonymous call at 6:15 p.m., 6/20/61, to the effect that a bomb had been placed in the Post Office to explode at 7:00 p.m. Post Office employees and police conducted a search with negative results.

Three freedom riders who held reservations to fly from Washington, D. C., to Tallahassee, Florida, on 6/20/61, canceled their reservations and made reservations to depart from Washington by Eastern Air Lines at 5:45 p.m., 6/23/61. They are scheduled to change planes at Atlanta and arrive at Tallahassee at 10:46 p.m., EST, 6/23/61.

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On 6/20/61 the Chicago, Illinois, police furnished a copy of an obscene threatening letter addressed to
The letter was being processed in the Chicago
Crime Laboratory and the Chicago police were guarding the
victim and conducting investigation to identify the author
of the letter. was arrested as a freedom
rider and was released upon
payment of a fine on $6/6/61$ . On $6/5/61$ he stated to the press
that he was disappointed over the caliber of people engaged
in the freedom rides and recommended that others carefully
investigate the group before joining the freedom riders. He has reportedly denounced the freedom rides as being communist inspired.

The Department has requested that we ascertain if segregation is required in the airport terminals at Columbus, Georgia, and Tallahassee, Florida.

The airport terminal at Columbus, Georgia, has a snack bar operated by a concessionaire who leases it from the county. There is no restriction as to serving any race, but Negroes are not permitted to take seats at the counter. The waiting room at the terminal is not segregated; however, there are separate rest rooms for white and colored which are so identified by signs but Negroes have recently used the white rest rooms without interference. The airport is under the jurisdiction of the county commissioners.

The airport at Tallahassee has separate rest rooms for white and colored which are so identified by signs. Just inside the main terminal entrance there is a sign with directional arrows pointing to the colored waiting room and rest rooms. The restaurant in the Tallahassee air terminal does not have any signs indicating segregation but the city manager has advised that restaurant employees are under instructions to refuse service to Negroes and to direct them to a small lunch counter adjacent to the restaurant. The lunch counter bears a sign which states "Colored." None of the drinking fountains in the terminal are marked in any way.

The Tallahassee Municipal Airport terminal and all of its facilities are governed by the Tallahassee City Commission. is the authorized agent of the

American News

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

City Commission for administering details of operations at the terminal. The terminal restaurant is operated by Savarin Corporation, a subsidiary of the American News Company, under a lease contract agreement with the City Commission.

advised that although the lease contract makes no reference to segregation, there is a strong positive verbal agreement calling for immediate termination of the lease in the event that colored patrons are served in the terminal restaurant. He said that this verbal agreement was made prior to the signing of the lease and was entered into by Hopkins as well as all members of the Tallahassee City Commission and

Company.

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Mr. Belmont

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FROM

A. Rose

Treedom Riders

FREEDOM RIDE 1961

RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF AIRCRAFT

OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS

SYNOPSIS

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

One white freedom rider arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, 6/19/61, when he entered colored waiting room in Greyhound bus terminal after traveling from Oklahoma by private automobile.

There have been 117 freedom riders arrested at Jackson since 5/24/61. Thirty have been released on bond, four have been released upon payment of fines, and 83 remain in custody.

All freedom riders in the Jackson City Jail and the Hinds County Jail are eating.

Fifteen freedom riders plan to depart New Orleans, 7:10 a.m., CST, 6/20/61, to arrive at Jackson, Mississippi, by train at 10:20 a.m., CST (12:20 p.m., Washington, D. C., time), 6/20/61.

Seven or eight freedom riders are scheduled to leave Atlanta, Georgia, by Greyhound bus 12:40 p.m., EST, 6/20/61, to arrive at Montgomery, Alabama, 4:55 p.m., CST (6:55 p.m., Washington time), 6/20/61. After spending the night in Montgomery they will proceed to Jackson, Mississippi, leaving Montgomery at 11:30 a.m., CST, 6/21/61.

Second Baptist Church, Los Angeles, is organizing freedom ride from Los Angeles to Jackson, 7/12/61.

Three freedom riders scheduled to depart Washington, D. C., 5:45, p.m., 6/20/61, by airplane to arrive Tallahassee, Florida, 10:46 p.m., EST (11:46 p.m., Washington time), 6/20/61.

1 Mr. Mohr 1 DeLoach

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The individual attending the "workshop" at St. Petersburg, Florida, 6/16/61, was who admitted in 1954 he had been a member of the Communist Party. He spoke briefly but did not play an active part at the "workshop."

Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., received anonymous call at 12:12 a.m., 6/20/61, stating a bomb would go off in Union Station "tonight" because the caller does not like freedom riders. Police found no bomb.

Editor of Northwest Bureau, "Peoples World," Seattle, Washington, may attempt to sponsor a freedom rider and would like to sponsor a Seattle appearance for a freedom rider.

### ACTION

A memorandum is being prepared for the attention of the Attorney General.

Montgomery and Jackson.

### DETAILS

was arrested as a freedom rider at Jackson, Mississippi, on 6/19/61 when he entered the colored waiting room at the Greyhound bus terminal. who is white, told police that he is Oklahoma State College, Stillwater, Oklahoma, and had traveled from Oklahoma by private automobile because he wanted to join the freedom riders in jail. Since 5/24/61, 117 freedom riders have been arrested Thirty have been released on bond, four have been released upon payment of fines, and 83 remain in custody. freedom riders at the Jackson City Jail and the Hinds County Jail are eating. Congress of Racial Equality (CORE). New Orleans, Louisiana, advised on 6/19/61 that a group of 15 freedom riders would depart New Orleans aboard the Illinois Central Railroad train, City of New Orleans, at 7:10 a.m., CST, 6/20/61, to arrive at Jackson, Mississippi, 10:20 a.m., CST (12:20 p.m., Washington, D. C., time) 6/20/61. This apparently is the group of freedom riders which traveled to New Orleans from San Francisco by train. Freedom Ride Coordinating Committee, Atlanta, Georgia, advised that seven or eight freedom riders including those who traveled to Atlanta from Nashville, Tennessee, 6/18/61, will leave Atlanta by Greyhound bus at 12:40 p.m., EST, 6/20/61, to arrive at Montgomery, Alabama, 4:55 p.m., CST (6:55 p.m., Washington time), 6/20/61. plans to spend the night in Montgomery and leave Montgomery at 11:30 a.m., CST, 6/21/61, for Jackson, Mississippi, via

The Los Angeles, California, press has reported that members of the Second Baptist Church, Los Angeles, contributed more than \$2,000 in a special offering to finance a freedom ride leaving Los Angeles 7/12/61 for Jackson, Mississippi. A freedom ride rally is scheduled to be held at the church 6/25/61.

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Julius W. Hobson, President, Washington, D. C., Chapter, CORE, advised on 6/19/61 that three freedom riders will depart from Washington by Eastern Airlines at 5:45 p.m., 6/20/61, to arrive in Atlanta at 7:42 p.m. They will leave Atlanta at 8:50 p.m., and will arrive at Tallahassee, Florida, at 10:46, p.m., EST, 6/20/61. Hobson stated that no freedom ride is scheduled to originate from Washington by bus, 6/21/61, as had been previously indicated.

It has been previously reported that freedom riders attended a "workshop" in a St. Petersburg. Florida, church on 6/16/61 and that \_\_\_\_\_\_ who admitted in 1954 that he had been a member of the Communist Party, may have been present. It has been determined that \_\_\_\_\_ was present and made some brief remarks but was not an advocate at the meeting.

At 12:12 a.m., 6/20/61, the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., received an anonymous telephone call from a man who stated "Indo not like freedom riders, therefore a bomb will go off in Union Station tonight." The Union Station was searched by the terminal police who found nothing of interest.

A reliable informant advised that Paul Emerson, editor of the Northwest Bureau of the "Peoples World," Seattle, Washington, has indicated an active interest in the freedom ride movement and has stated that he may attempt to sponsor a freedom rider from the northwest area. Emerson also indicated that if he can locate a freedom rider, he would like to sponsor his appearance in Seattle. The "Peoples World" is a West Coast communist newspaper.

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS

SAC D. K. Brown, Jacksonville Office, advised that the group of Rabbis and ministers which had remained overnight in Tallahassee, Florida, had proceeded to the airport this morning and the restaurant facilities were still closed. individuals were advised by the Chief of Police that he had a town of 50,000 to police and he could not afford protection to them and that he would withdraw all of the policemen with the exception of one officer.

Tallahassee police had maintained a large contingent on duty at the airport last evening and had escorted the freedom riders to a colored Baptist church for the night. Following the withdrawal of police, the of Newark, New Jersey, who is a member of the group of Rabbis and ministers, called the resident agency at Tallahassee and later the FBI office in Jacksonville. He wanted to notify the FBI of the situation. He stated that the police had been affording them protection and that the Chief had withdrawn his officers. He advised that at that time there were two Tallahassee police officers and two Florida Highway Patrol did not have any information officers at the airport! of any action contemplated against the freedom riders but gathered that there was a possibility that violence might result since the large police escort had been withdrawn.

was informed that the matter of protection was, of course, the responsibility of the local authorities and that the FBI could not afford the group protection.

### ACTION:

Informants of the Jacksonville Office have all been There has been no information received indicating alerted. any contemplated violence. Brown stated that there are no crowds gathered at the airport or in the vicinity of the airport.

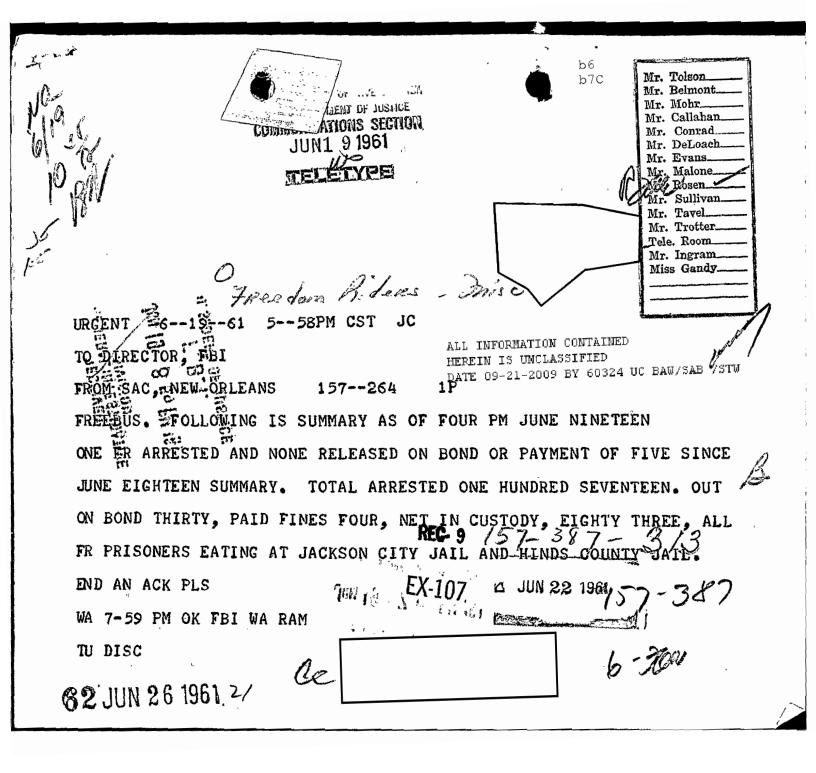
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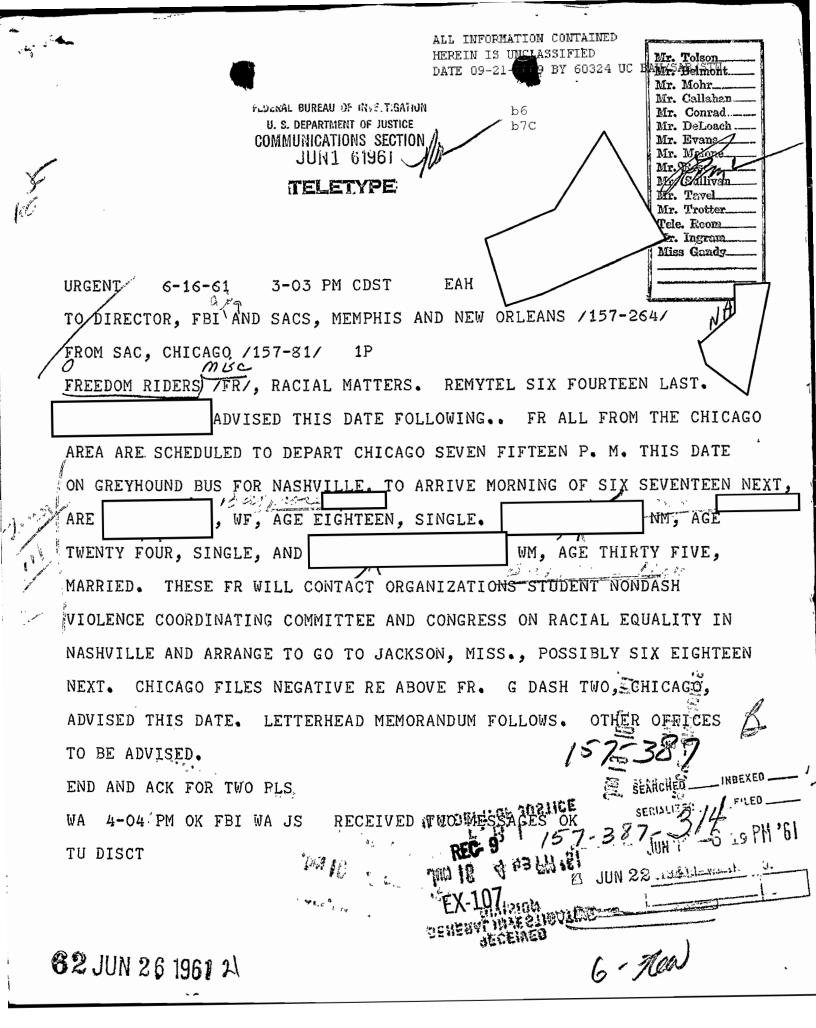
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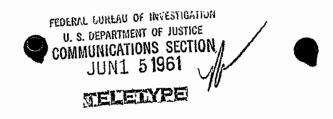
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SYNOPSIS

HQ Y602) Tennessee, arrested Five freedom riders from Nashville, Jackson, Mississippi, 1:15 p.m., 6/16/61. Tried in municipal court same date together with freedom rider arrested 6/14/61. All found guilty and sentenced to four months

One hundred and sixteen freedom riders arrested Jackson since 5/24/61. Twenty-nine have been released on bond, four have been released upon payment of fines, and 83 remain in custody.

All freedom riders in Jackson city jail are eating. Fifteen of those in custody at Hinds County Jail are refusing food.

Attorneys for three freedom riders arrested in Jackson earlier this month reportedly plan to file writs of habeas corpus in U. S. District Court. Writs may be filed this week end and will seek release of the three.

The Tusson, Arizona, Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) reportedly plans to send five individuals to New Orleans, Louisiana, 6/19/61, for training in nonresistance. They will then presumably travel to Jackson as freedom riders.

A National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) sponsored meeting of approximately 40 Negro freedom riders was held in Columbia, South Carolina, on the night of 6/15/61. Leaders allegedly disappointed at small attendance. made to use a nearby state park not ordinarily open to Negroes. Local authorities announced park would be closed 6/16/61, the date under consideration.

Daytona Beach, Florida, frug of freedom riders, which began its trip 6/15/61, arrived Tampa, Florida, 6:49 p.m., 6/16/61. Facilities at various points tested without incident.

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### Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

Union and professional group of freedom riders which began trip at Washington, D. C., 6-13-61, left-Jacksonville, Florida, in two separate buses morning of 6-16-61. Bus station facilities were tested without incident. They traveled to St. Petersburg, Florida, arriving there afternoon of same day. Station facilities used or attempted at various points along the way without significant incident except for following.

Three members of one group arrested approximately
1:00 p.m. at Ocala, Florida, as result of argument with several
white males in bus station waiting room. Charged with failure
to obey lawful order of officer and attempt to incite riot. Were
subsequently released on \$1000 bond each posted by
member of group who remained behind for that purpose.
All later rejoined their group at Tampa, Florida, International
Airport.

A drunken white man reportedly made obnoxious remarks relative to freedom riders in St. Petersburg bus station. He was arrested on drunk charge by St. Petersburg police.

On afternoon and evening of 6-16-61, freedom riders attended "work shop" and public meeting in a St. Petersburg church. Mixed groups participated. Local Negroes were encouraged to follow up on integration efforts and some freedom riders related their experiences. Freedom riders then went to nearby Tampa International Airport where they met portion which had become detached at Ocala. All departed by plane for New York 12:57 a.m., 6-17-61.

During above trip car registered to alleged Associated Press newsman, stopped for speeding by police at Zephyrhills, Florida. Car had been following one of the buses during trip.

Ten rabbis and ministers who stayed in Tallahassee on 6-15-61 were joined by three residents of that city. The group went to the airport on 6-16-61. Found airport facilities closed. After refusing to leave airport were arrested for unlawful assembly. Total of thirteen arrested. Chief of Police had withdrawn nearly all officers from airport earlier with statement he could not afford protection due to responsibility to city. Representative of group contacted our office and was told we could not give them protection.

Telephone booth in Washington, D. C., blown up at 8:14 a.m. 6-16-61. Remains of bomb appear similar to one used to blow up ash can previous night. Cooperative services offered and close liaison with police being maintained.

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It is reported that attorneys representing three of the freedom riders arrested in Jackson earlier this month intend to file writs of habeas corpus in United States District Court, Jackson. The writs will seek release of the three freedom riders and may be filed this week end. The three riders are reported to be arrested 6/2/61, and both arrested 6/7/61.

The Tusson, Arizona, Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) announced that five as yet unnamed citizens of Tuscon would depart on Monday, 6/19/61, for New Orleans. They are to be trained there in nonresistance procedures by CORE workers and will presumably later travel to Jackson as freedom riders.

A meeting of approximately 40 Negro freedom riders was held at the Zion Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina, on the night of 6/15/61. It was sponsored by the South Carolina Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in support of CORE and the freedom riders. Leaders expressed disappointment at the small number of freedom riders who appeared for the meeting. Plans were announced to attempt to use facilities of Sesqui State Park on 6/16/61, which is near Columbia, and is not open to Negroes. Local authorities advised the park would be closed to everyone that date.

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The Daytona Beach group of freedom riders continued their trip to Tampa where they arrived at 6:49 p.m., 6/16/61. No test was made of facilities there and the group, after determining that the next bus for Orlando, Florida, was scheduled to leave at 6:00 a.m., 6/17/61, proceeded to the residence of NAACP. Facilities were tested at various points between Tallahassee and Tampa without incident. This mixed group began its trip on 6/15/61.

The union and professional group of freedom riders which left Washington, D. C., 6/13/61 spent the night of 6/15/61 in Jacksonville, Florida. This group departed Jacksonville by two separate buses on the morning of 6/16/61 after testing bus station facilities without incident. Efforts were made by one group in Dade City, Florida, to use the men's wash room. However, this was blocked off and there were no incidents.

Three of the members of one of these groups were arrested in Ocala, Florida, at approximately 1:00 p.m., 6/16/61, when an argument developed between freedom riders and a number of white males in the bus station waiting room. The three were charged with failure to obey the lawful order of an officer and attempting to incite a riot. Their bus departed Ocala, Florida, without them. The three were subsequently released on \$1,000 bond each which was posted by one of the members of the group who remained behind for that purpose. and the three who were arrested then proceeded by bus to Tampa.

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Both bus loads of freedom riders tested depot facilities in Tampa, Florida, without incident. They then traveled to St. Petersburg, Florida, where facilities were likewise tested without incident. Some of these freedom riders were interviewed by members of the press. An incident occurred at the station when a drunken white man made some obnoxious remarks relative to the freedom riders. He was arrested by St. Petersburg police on a drunk charge. On the afternoon of 6/16/61, members of both groups attended a "work shop" at the Second Bethel Baptist Church in St. Petersburg. Approximately 25 whites and Negroes are reported to have attended this meeting at which local Negroes were exorted to follow up on integration of lunch counters and so forth. One of the participants was reported by sources to be

Florida Presbyterian College. He may be identical with the subject of a security case. During interview by Bureau Agents in 1954, he

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admitted having been a member of the Communist Party. Other individuals participating are not known to have communist backgrounds.

At 8:00 p.m. a public meeting was held at the Second Bethel Baptist Church where the members of the freedom rider groups then in St. Petersburg were introduced to those in attendance. This was a mixed group of approximately 50 individuals. Various of the freedom riders spoke relative to their training and the arrest of three of their members at Ocala. The meeting adjourned shortly after 10:00 p.m. without incident and the freedom riders proceeded to nearby Tampa International Airport.

All of the members of the union and professional group departed by plane for New York City at 12:57 a.m., 6/17/61.

This group included the three who were arrested in Ocala and who had made their bond. These four individuals had subsequently arrived by bus at Tampa.

A car registered to alleged to be an Associated Press newsman, was stopped for speeding at Zephyrhills, Florida. This car had been following one of the buses during its trip from Jacksonville to St. Petersburg.

It will be recalled that the group of rabbis and ministers who left Washington, D. C., on 6/13/61 traveled to Tallahassee where they split up at the Tallahassee airport. A portion of the group departed by plane for New York City on the afternoon of 6/15/61. The remainder were ejected from the airport by police when it was closed after the last flight departed that night.

This remaining portion of the group spent the night at Tallahassee. On the morning of 6/16/61 they returned to the airport to find facilities still closed. They refused to leave and shortly after noon were arrested by Tallahassee police for unlawful assembly. Prior to being arrested, they were given the choice of leaving the airport or going to jail. Earlier, the Chief of Police, who had maintained a large contingent on duty at the airport the previous evening, withdrew practically all officers

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from the airport. He advised the freedom riders he could not afford them protection since he had a responsibility to the city of Tallahassee. A representative of the group contacted the Jacksonville Office in this regard and was advised that the FBI could not afford protection to the group since this was the responsibility of local authorities. \*

At 8:14 a.m., 6/16/61, an explosion splintered a telephone booth at 15th Street and Massachusetts Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D. C. Subsequent examination by a telephone company official revealed the coin box to be in tact and apparently larceny was not the motive. FBI Laboratory personnel and Agents of the Washington Field Office proceeded to the scene to aid in a search of the area. The Laboratory reports that the device used in this explosion was similar to that utilized to blow up a trash can at Vermont and H Streets, Northwest, on the night of 6/15/61. It appears the devices were constructed from galvenized pipe and contained shotgun powder. A number of anonymous telephone calls have been received subsequent to the explosion of the telephone booth. These have threatened that bombs would go off in various locations. information relative to these calls and the explosions have been furnished to all interested local and Federal Agencies.

Close liaison is being maintained with the Metropolitan Police Department and our cooperative facilities have been offered.

\* The ten rabbis and ministers were joined by three residents of Tallahassee. The total number arrested at the airport were thirteen individuals.

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FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-246/ 3P

QUOTE FREEBUS UNQUOTE, RACIAL MATTERS, CORE, RACIAL MATTERS. REMYTEL JUNE SIXTEEN INSTANT, AND TELEPHONE CALLS TO BUREAU TODAY. LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND SOURCES ADVISE SECTION OF INTERFAITH WHICH REMAINED IN TALLAHASSEE SPENT NIGHT SLEEPING. IN BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH PAREN COLORED PAREN, TALLAHASSEE, AND RETURNED EARLY THIS MORNING TALLAHASSEE AIRPORT. UPON ARRIVAL FOUND RESTAURANT STILL CLOSED. ALTHOUGH HAD AIRLINES RESERVATION TO LEAVE TALLAHASSEE, CANCELLED RESERVATION AND REMAINED AT AIRPORT. CHIEF OF POLICE, SHERIFF, MAYOR, CITY ATTORNEY DEQUNTEY PAUSECUTOR END THREE CITY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT CITY HALL THIS MORNING DISCUSSING SITUATION AND SHORTLY AFTER. TWELVE NOON REACHED DECISION TO AR COMMENCED ARRESTING GROUP FOUND TEN HAD GROUP. WHENDIG REMAINED BEHTND RATHER THAN NINE AS THEY HAD PE

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IT APPEARS FROM INFORMATION PRESENTLY AVAILABLE THAT REMAINING RIDERS IN BOTH SECTIONS PLAN TO DEPART TAMPA TWELVE FIFTY FIVE A. M. JUNE SEVENTEEN ON EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT SIX NINE ZERO FOR NYC, ARRIVING THERE SEVEN FIFTEEN A. M. NY TIME, WITH STOPS AT WDC AND BALTIMORE. THE OTHER THREE RIDERS IN FIRST SECTION HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS NEGRO. THEY HAVE RESERVATIONS TO DEPART TAMPA ON FLIGHT THIRTY FOUR, NORTHEAST AIRLINES, JUNE SIXTEEN, FOUR FORTY FIVE P. M., DESTINATION IDLEWILD APRPORT, NYC. RESERVATIONS ORIGINALLY MADE IN WDC JUNE THIRTEEN FOR TWO PEOPLE. THEY ARE AT TAMPA AIRPORT AWAITING FLIGHT, ENTERED COFFEE SHOP, REQUESTED SERVICE AND WERE SERVED. RIDER BELIEVED TO BE NEGRO. OBSERVED ABOUT THREE P. M. TO ENTER BARTKES AIRPORT RESTAURANT, REQUESTED SERVICE, RECEIVED SAME, AND IS IN PROCESS OF EATING. NO INCIDENTS THUS FAR. LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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The Attorney General June 23, 1961

Director, FBI

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The nine freedom riders who were arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, on June 21, 1961, were convicted on June 22, 1961. Each was sentenced to serve four months in jail and was fined \$200.

One hundred forty freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1961. Forty-four have been released on bond, four have been released upon payment of fines and ninety-two remain in custody. All freedom riders in the Jackson City Jail and the Hinds County Jail are eating.

Five freedom riders arrived in New Orleans, Louisiana, by airplane from Los Angeles, California, and one freedom rider arrived from Tucson, Arizona, by airplane on June 22, 1961. Ten freedom riders from Sar Francisco, California, are scheduled to arrive in New Orleans by train on June 23, 1961. These sixteen freedom riders plan to leave New Orleans at 7:10 a.m., June 25, 1961, by Illinois Central Railroad train, Eity of New Orleans, to arrive at Jackson, Mississippi, at 10:20 a.m., June 25, 1961.

The group of ten rabbi and minister freedom riders who were arrested at Tallahassee, Florida, on June 16, 1961, were convicted of unlawful assembly on June 22, 1961. Each was sentenced to serve sixty days in jail or pay a fine of \$500.

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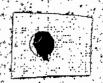
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## The Attorney General

The eleven persons convicted at Tallahassee were released on June 22, 1961, on \$1,000 bond each. Defense attorneys announced that an immediate appeal will be filed with the Florida Supreme Court. The ten rabbi and minister freedom riders left Tallahassee by airplane at 11:47 p.m., June 22, 1961.

Julius W. Hobson, President of the Washington, D. C., Chapter, Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), has advised that CORE plans a "march" in Washington on July 4, 1961. He anticipated that approximately two hundred people will take part in this demonstration, but he stated that definite plans have not yet been formulated.

Further pertinent developments will be brought to the attention of the Department promptly.

- 1 Mr. Byron R. White Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall
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AT NINE TWENTYFIVE A. M. TODAY,

TALLAHASSEE RA, AND AT NINE TELEPHONED SA FIFTY A. M. TODAY HE TELEPHONED JACKSONVILLE OFFICE AND FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN BOTH CALLS. HE IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS BEING A MEMBER OF THE GROUP OF FREEDOM RIDERS PRESENTLY AT TALLAHASSEE AIRPORT. STATED HIS GROUP NOW COMPOSED OF TWO RABBIS, THREE NEGRO PRTOTESTANT MINISTERS AND FIVE PROTESTANT MINISTERS. SAID THIS ENTIRE GROUP PRESENTLY AT AIRPORT TERMINAL, TALLAHASSEE, HAVING ARRIVED THERE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. SAID UPON THEIR ARRIVAL THEY, FOUND THE RESTAURANT CLOSED AND THE MANAGER ADVISED IT WAS CLOSED FOR MOPPING PURPOSES AND WOULD

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DEPARTURE FROM THE AIRPORT. HE STATED HIS GROUP DECIDED TO REMAIN AT AIRPORT TO TEST FACILITIES WHEN RESTAURANT OPENED AT FOUR THIRTY P. M. SAID RESTAURANT NEVER OPENED AND HIS GROUP REMAINED AT AIRPORT DURING ENTIRE EVENING. SAID A GROUP OF THIRTY MEN GATHERED AT AIRPORT LAST NIGHT AND THIS GROUP INCLUDED THE MAYOR OF TALLAHASSEE, SEVERAL CITY COMMISSIONERS, AS WELL AS CHIEF OF POLICE. SAID SOME MEMBERS OF GROUP MADE MENACING AND THREATENING GESTAURES TO HIS GROUP, BUT NO INCIDENTS. THAT AT APPROXIMATELY MIDNIGHT LAST NIGHT HIS GROUP WAS PROVIDED A POLICE ESCORT TO TALLAHASSEE FROM AIRPORT AND THEY SPENT NIGHT AT THE BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH. SAID THEY RETURNED TO AIRPORT AT SEVEN TWENTYFIVE THIS MORNING AFTER FIRST LEARNING THE RESTAURANT NORMALLY OPENS AT SEVEN A. M. SAID THEY FOUND RESTAURANT CLOSED AND THEY NOW INTEND TO REMAIN IN TERMINAL UNTIL THEY CAN SECURE SERVICE AT RESTAURANT. THEY ORIGINALLY HAD RESERVATIONS TO LEAVE TALLAHASSEE ON AN EAL FLIGHT AT EIGHT THIRTYEIGHT A. M., THIS MORNING, BUT BECAUSE OF CLOSED RESTAURANT THESE RESERVATIONS CANCELLED. HIS GROUP HAS STANDBY RESERVATIONS AT ONE P. M. TODAY ON EAL FLIGHT AND CONFIRMED RESERVATIONS FOR EAL FLIGHT AT EIGHT THIRTYEIGHT A. M. TOMORROW MORNING, JUNE SEVENTEEN NEXT. APPROXIMATELY TWENTY MINUTES PRIOR TO TELEPHONE CALL HE HAD END PAGE TWO

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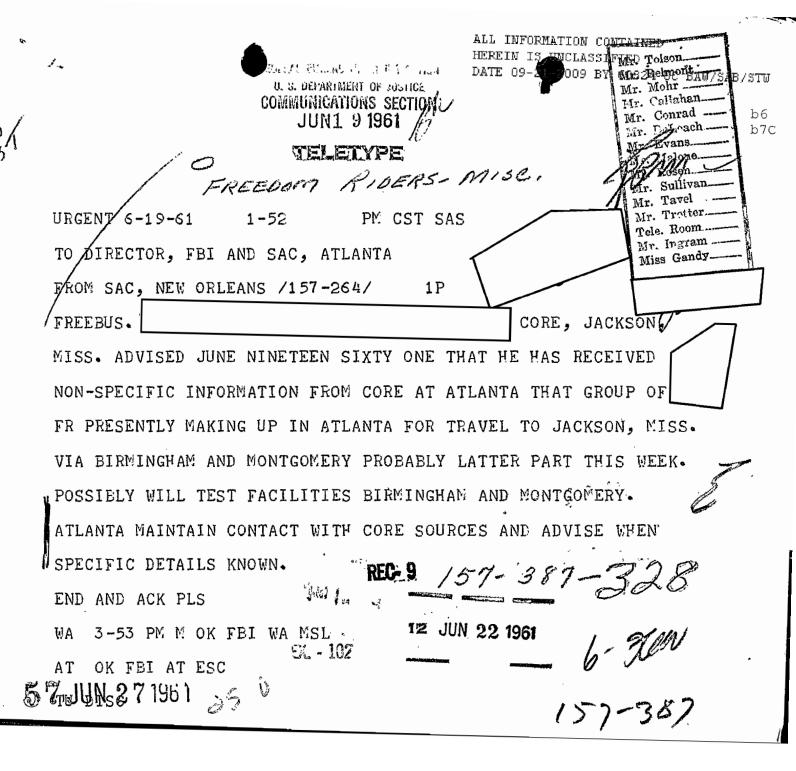
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cc: Mr. Posen

BEEN INFORMED BY CHIEF OF POLICE, TALLAHASSEE, THAT HE HAD A TOWN OF FIFTY THOUSAND PEOPLE TO PROTECT AND HE COULD NO LONGER KEEP HIS POLICE FORCE AT THE AIRPORT FOR PROTECTION OF HIS GROUP. HE STATED HE REQUESTED CHIEF OF POLICE TO INFORM STATE POLICE OF HIS DECISION, BUT DOES NOT KNOW IF CHIEF HAS TAKEN THIS ACTION. SAID CHIEF OF POLICE HAS NOW RETURNED TO TALLAHASSEE WITH ALL BUT TWO OF HIS MEN. IN ADDITION TO THESE TWO LOCAL OFFICERS, THERE ARE TWO STATE POLICE OFFICERS IN AIRPORT. ADVISED WE APPRECIATE HIS FURNISHING US THIS INFORMATION. ALSO POINTED OUT TO HIM CLEARLY THAT FBI COULD NOT FURNISH HIS GRPUP WITH PROTECTION, AS THIS IS SOLELY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES. IT WAS SUGGESTED HE CONTACT THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL, TALLAHASSEE, AND ADVISE THEM IMMEDIATELY OF DECISION MADE BY CHIEF OF POLICE, TALLAHASSEE, TO WITHDRAW HIS MEN FROM SAID HE WOULD DO THIS AND ADDED HE ALSO TERMINAL. INTENDED TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH OUR RESIDENTS AT TALLAHASSEE. END AND ACK 12-41 PM OK FBI WA JSA

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Re Albany airtels to Bureau dated 6/5 and 6/6/61.

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> FREEDOM RIDE PROFESSIONAL GROUP - SECTION ONE SAVANNAH DIVISION JUNE 14-15, 1961

The following is a summary of the activities of the "Freedom Riders" Professional Group - Section One, in the Savannah Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on June 14-15, 1961:

Carlyle Newton, Chief of Police, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on June 14, 1961, advised the first bus load of "Freedom Riders" he had been alerted to expect arrived in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, at 9:15 AM, June 14, 1961, and stayed only three to five minutes. One passenger got on the bus and no one got off the bus except one passenger, presumably a newspaperman, who left the bus and used a public telephone for about fifteen minutes. The bus left without him and he took a taxi to Georgetown, South Carolina, where he apparently overtook the bus.

Hubert Barker, Chief of Police, Conway, South Carolina, advised one group of "Freedom Riders" en route to Charleston, South Carolina, arrived at the Conway bus terminal at approximately 9:40 AM, June 14, 1961. This bus remained only a few minutes and departed without the group attempting to integrate the bus station.

Chief of Police William F. Kelly, Charleston, South Carolina, advised a group of seven "Freedom Riders" consisting of two Negro males, one Negro female, three white males and the seven three white males are seven three white males and the seven three white males are seven t

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one white female arrived aboard a Greyhound bus at the Greyhound Bus Station, Charleston, South Carolina, at 12:06 PM, June 14, 1961, from Wilmington, North Carolina. The entire group had lunch on an integrated basis at the lunch counter and used the restroom facilities on an integrated basis. No crowd gathered at the bus station and no incidents occurred. The facilities at the Greyhound Bus Station, Charleston, have been integrated for about six months.

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) official at Charleston, told Chief Kelly this group, as well as a second section of this group due to arrive at 5:30 PM in Charleston, would spend the night in various private homes in the city.

This section departed Charleston at 6:45 AM via Greyhound bus, made a passenger stop at Walterboro, South Carolina, without incident, and arrived in Savannah, Georgia, at 9:25 AM, June 15, 1961.

Lieutenant Detective Bureau, Savannah Police Department, advised the "Freedom Riders", consisting of three white males, one white female, two Negro males and one Negro female, arrived aboard Greyhound bus #M5373 at 9:25 AM. They used unmarked but traditionally white restrooms and white waiting rooms on an integrated basis and used the lunch counter on an integrated basis. They did not use the cafeteria in this bus station, which has been integrated for some months. They were met and interviewed by local newspaper and television reporters and photographers. Several police officers and Georgia Bureau of Investigation Agents were present.

This group departed Savannah in the same bus at 9:42 AM and were scheduled to arrive Jacksonville, Florida, at 12:45 PM but were running about twenty minutes late. There was no crowd and no racial incidents occurred while the group was in Savannah.

Chief of Police James H. Bisson, Brunswick, Georgia, advised that Greyhound bus labeled "Miami Express" #M5373,

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arrived Brunswick, Georgia, at 11:28 AM, June 15, 1961, and departed at 11:32 AM the same date, headed south on U. S. Highway 17. The bus driver told Chief Bisson that no "Riders" departed from the bus at Brunswick and no incidents occurred en route.

Agent Counter Intelligence Corps, Savannah, was alerted at 3:47 PM, June 14, 1961, to the information that the "Freedom Riders" would pass through the Savannah area on June 14 and 15, 1961. He stated they would cover the arrivals of these groups and alert other CIC Agents in the Third Army area.

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FREEDOM RIDE
PROFESSIONAL GROUP - SECTION TWO
SAVANNAH DIVISION
JUNE 14-15, 1961

The following is a summary of the activities of the "Freedom Riders" Professional Group - Section Two, in the Savannah Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on June 14-15, 1961:

Carlyle Newton, Chief of Police, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, advised the second bus load of "Freedom Riders" he had been alerted to expect arrived in the Myrtle Beach Greyhound bus terminal at 2:55 PM. They remained in the station three to five minutes and no passengers got off the bus. They departed Myrtle Beach for Charleston, South Carolina, by way of Conway, South Carolina. There was no crowd at the Myrtle Beach bus terminal and no incidents occurred while there.

Chief of Police William F. Kelly, Charleston, South Carolina, Police Department, advised the group of "Freedom Riders" consisting of three Negro males, two white males, one Negro female and one white female arrived in Charleston aboard a Greyhound bus at 5:20 PM, June 14, 1961. The group ate at the bus station lunch counter on an integrated basis and used the restroom facilities on an integrated basis without incident. No crowd gathered at the bus station.

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	People (NAACP) official, Charleston, South Carolina	and , and

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the group went to	home directly from the station.	
told Chief Kelly	this group, as well as the group t	hat
had arrived previously	at 12:06 PM, would spend the night	at
various private homes	in the city.	

Chief Kelly further advised he heard at the bus station that the Negro female in this group told reporters at the bus station at Charleston that while the bus was in Conway, South Carolina, she attempted to enter an eating establishment not connected with the bus station. A man in the restaurant pulled a knife from under the table and told her she could not eat there.

Chief Kelly said he heard, however, that the white female in the group stated the restaurant owner was making salad and merely waved the knife at them when they attempted to enter the restaurant. Chief Kelly did not know the name of the restaurant in Conway.

Hubert Barker, Chief of Police, Conway, South Carolina, advised the second section of the group of "Freedom Riders" that went through Conway arrived at the Greyhound station, Conway, about 2:30 PM and were refused service at the snack bar in the station. This group consisted of Negroes and whites and used the white waiting room and white restroom. No arrests were made and no incidents occurred, to Barker's knowledge.

Chief Kelly, supra, advised the second section of the Professional Group had breakfast or lunch at the Greyhound bus station's integrated lunch counter and departed Charleston via Greyhound bus #6256 at 10:24 AM, June 15, 1961. This bus was due to make a rest stop at Beaufort, South Carolina, a lunch stop at Savannah, Georgia, and rest stops at Hinesville, Georgia, Jesup, Georgia, and Folkston, Georgia, en route to Jacksonville, Florida.

Chief of Police Ralph Ramsey, Beaufort, South Carolina, advised that Greyhound bus #6256 arrived at the Greyhound bus station, Beaufort, at 11:58 AM, June 15, 1961, and departed at 12:03 PM the same date. While in Beaufort one white male and one Negro male left the bus and used the white men's restroom facilities. Chief Ramsey said there were no incidents in Beaufort and no crowd gathered.

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Chief Ramsey advised that he had observed a 1961 blue-green Ford bearing 1961 Georgia license follow instant bus into Beaufort and out again.
Agent, advised he had been assigned, along with two other Agents, to cover Savannah while the "Freedom Riders" were en route through Georgia. He stated that a group composed of seven individuals consisting of three Negro males, two white males, one Negro female and one white female, arrived at the Savannah, Georgia, Greyhound bus station at 12:28 PM. Among the seven individuals he ascertained the identities of the following:
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Walls Temple AME Zion, Albany, New York;
Negro male, Walls Temple AME Zion, Albany, New York; white male, Christian Reformed Church, Manhattan, New York.
While at the Greyhound station the group used the traditionally white restrooms and waiting room on an integrated basis, bought drinks at the stand-up lunch counter and all ate in the cafeteria, both of which have been integrated for some months. There were no incidents and only about five curiosity-seekers were present among regular bus station traffic.
This group departed Savannah at 1:38 PM in Greyhound bus #6256 for Jacksonville, Florida. The driver of the bus indicated they were one hour late and in order to make up this time he would stop at Hinesville, Georgia, only long enough to discharge a passenger and would not stop at Jesup or Folkston, Georgia, unless necessary.
advised this bus was being followed by a 1961 Ford bearing 1961 Georgia license driven by a man they

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had identified as
Atlanta, Georgia, who had registration for instant
car and is employed by Associated Press. He stated this
bus was being escorted through Georgia by a GBI Agent. No
incidents occurred while this group was in Savannah.
Radio Dispatcher Georgia State
Patrol, Hinesville, Georgia, advised Greyhound bus arrived
in Hinesville, Georgia, at 2:27 PM and departed at 2:30 PM,
June 15, 1961. Two passengers were discharged and two
passengers embarked. None of the "Freedom Riders" left
the bus and the bus passed through Hinesville without incident.
The bus arrived at Jesup, Georgia, at 3:06 PM and

The bus arrived at Jesup, Georgia, at 3:06 PM and left at 3:08 PM without incident. None of the passengers got off the bus.

Instant bus passed through Folkston, Georgia, without incident and crossed the Georgia-Florida state line on U. S. Highway 1 and 23 at 4:24 PM, June 15, 1961.

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> FREEDOM RIDE INTERFAITH GROUP SAVANNAH DIVISION JUNE 14-15, 1961

The following is a summary of the activities of the "Freedom Riders" Interfaith Group in the Savannah Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on June 14-15, 1961:

Chief J. Preston Strom (NA), South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, Columbia, South Carolina, advised on June 14, 1961, a group of "Freedom Riders" consisting of eight white, four Jewish and six Negro Clergymen, accompanied by a man identified only as a member of the New York press, arrived Sumter, South Carolina, 2:30 PM from Raleigh, North Carolina, on a Greyhound Bus labeled "Miami Express," after making a three-minute stop for passengers 12:27 to 12:30 PM at Bennettsville, South Carolina. No "Riders" left the bus at Bennettsville.

This bus stopped at Evans Restaurant, a regular bus restaurant stop, on the outskirts of Sumter, South Carolina. The "Freedom Riders" asked to be served meals on an integrated basis.

Evans Restaurant, advised them he had available facilities for both white and Negro races and would serve them on a segregated basis. The spokesman for the group advised the group was traveling interstate.

Preplied he had no official contract with the Greyhound Bus Company and served meals only on a segregated basis. The spokesman for the group then made a telephone call from the public phone booth to New York and, after completing the call, the group boarded the bus without seeking further service

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in Evans Restaurant. There were about thirty white spectators present and no friction developed.

The bus was then driven about two miles distance to the Greyhound Bus Station, Sumter, South Carolina, where the group left the bus and entered the waiting rooms and restrooms on an integrated basis. There are two waiting rooms and two sets of restrooms in the bus station. They are not marked for "colored" or "white" but by tradition are used on a segregated basis.

The press, television newsmen, state, county and local law enforcement officers were present both at Evans Restaurant and the bus station in Sumter. About twenty-five spectators were present at the bus station and no racial incidents occurred.

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The group left the bus station on an integrated basis in a taxi operated by a white driver, making several trips, and gathered at the Emanuel Negro Baptist Church with known National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) leaders of Sumter.

The group had their evening meal on an integrated basis at McClain's Restaurant, a Negro restaurant on South Main Street, Sumter.

The Interfaith Group departed Sumter by Greyhound bus at 12:45 AM, June 15, 1961, for Savannah, Georgia.

Lieutenant Savannah, Georgia, Police Department, advised a group of nineteen individuals, including eight white, four Jewish and six Negro Clergymen, and one reporter, arrived at the Greyhound Bus Station, Savannah, from Sumter, South Carolina, at 3:41 AM, June 15, 1961. The group had coffee at a stand-up lunch counter and used the two waiting rooms and two sets of restrooms on an integrated basis. These waiting rooms and restrooms are not marked as to "colored" or "white" but by tradition are used on a segregated basis. The lunch counter and the cafeteria, which was closed at this hour, have been operated for some months on an integrated basis.

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No incidents occurred, no crowd gathered and the group departed Savannah at 4:19 AM for Jacksonville, Florida, and were scheduled to arrive in Jacksonville at 7:25 AM.

Agent Counter Intelligence Corps, Savannah, was alerted at 3:47 PM, June 14, 1961, to the information that the "Freedom Riders" would pass through the Savannah area on June 14 and 15, 1961. He stated they would cover the arrivals of these groups and alert other CIC Agents in the Third Army area.

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G-2, Chicago was advised of the information concerning on 6/14/61 and of the other three individuals on 6/16/61.
The Bureau will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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Chicago 5, Illinois June 16, 1961

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### FREEDOM RIDERS RACIAL MATTERS

A source advised on June 16, 1961, three Freedom Riders (FR), all from the Chicago, Illinois area, are scheduled to depart Chicago, Illinois via Grayhound Bus at 7:15 p.m. on June 16, 1961.

These FR are scheduled to arrive in Nashville, Tennessee on the morning of June 17, 1961. In Nashville, the FR will contact the organizations, Student Non-Violence Coordinating Committee and the Congress on Racial Equality (CORE). It is believed that these FR will receive non-violent protest type of instruction and training by Nashville CORE and then proceed to Jackson, Mississippi, possibly on June 18, 1961.

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This source continued on June 16, 1961, that within the past several days, an FR had been arrested in the South and that this FR had been quoted in the newspapers to the effect that he became an FR for the sole purpose of returning to his home in the South from the North. Further, this FR commented that he had met an FR who was a Communist.

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The Communist Party, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The source continued on June 16, 1961, that because of the above, CORE is attempting to allow only dedicated individuals volunteer as FR. In Chicago, the FR must submit in writing three references, why the person wants to become a FR, receive instruction and training on non-violent protest type techniques and again in writing, tell why he continues to want to be a FR.

The source said Chicago CORE had originally planned to send a larger group of FR to the South, but because of the above mentioned incident, only three persons passed Chicago CORE's final screening on June 16, 1961.

G-2, Chicago, was advised of the information concerning on June 14, 1961. They were advised of the remaining information mentioned above, from this source, on June 16, 1961.

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Reference is made to the letterhead memorandum, dated and captioned as above.

The source utilized in referenced communication has had insufficient contact to determine his reliability but this source is in a responsible position.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

Florida Ku Klux Klan, De Land Klavern, allegedly contemplated sending Negro "jailbirds and alcoholics" to Daytona Beach bus terminal restaurant, 6/18/61, as retaliation for service given freedom riders. No such incident occurred.

Freedom ride to leave Washington, 6/21/61, Further details not available at this time.

### ACTION

A memorandum is being prepared for the information of the Attorney General.

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### DETAILS

Since 5/24/61, 116 freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi. Thirty have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and 82 remain in custody. All freedom riders in the Jackson City Jail and in the Hinds County Jail are eating.

A group of three or four freedom riders left Nashville, Tennessee, at 10:30 p.m., 6/18/61, by Greyhound bus scheduled to arrive in Atlanta, Georgia, at 6:40 a.m., EST, 6/19/61.

of the Freedom Ride Coordinating Committee in Atlanta, advised that the freedom riders from Nashsille will be joined with nine others in Atlanta and will leave Atlanta by bus, 6/19/61, for Montgomery, Alabama, and Jackson, Mississippi. Time of departure had not been determined on the night of 6/18/61, but details of the trip were to be worked out on the morning of 6/19/61. Atlanta following and will advise.

Information has previously been received regarding a group of freedom riders who were to travel from San Francisco, California, to New Orleans, Louisiana, by train and who were to proceed from New Orleans to Jackson, Mississippi, on 6/19 or 6/20/61. The "San Francisco Chronicle," 6/16/61, stated that 15 freedom riders were departing for Jackson, Mississippi, and identified one of them as Father G. H. Muse, an Episcopal minister. It has been alleged that on 5/7/61, Father Muse, Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Berkeley. California, preached a sermon which was described as a bitter denunciation of U. S. policies and in which Father Muse branded former President Eisenhower as a liar with regard to the U-2 incident.

The "Los Angeles Times,",6/17/61, related that 13 freedom riders passed through Los Angeles, 6/16/61, en route to New Orleans. The group was described as consisting of nine white people and four Negroes, all college students from the San Francisco Bay area with the exception of one freedom rider who was described as an Episcopal minister. It was stated that the Reverend Grant H. Muse, Pastor of the Good Shepherd Church, Berkeley, California, was accompanying the group and that the group was under the leadership of Tom Roland, a 24-year-old white student from the University of California who is working on a Ph.D. in bio-chemistry.

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It has previously been reported that the group of rabbis and ministers who left Washington, D. C., 6/13/61, for Tallahassee, Florida, split into two units at Tallahassee, 6/15/61. One group returned to New York, 6/15/61, and the other group remained in Tallahassee where they were arrested, 6/16/61, when they refused to leave the airport.

Farris Bryant, Governor of Florida, issued the following statement on 6/16/61:

"Florida has accorded to the freedom riders the full protection of her laws. Regardless of cost or convenience, their trip across Florida was made peaceful and without incident. Unfortunately these people were not willing to leave Florida without creating discord and securing attendant publicity. In the last ten minutes of their scheduled stay, they embarked upon a new course designed to make trouble. If not deterred by local authorities they would have succeeded with damage to the poise and dignity of this state. We offer the full protection of the law to all in Florida who seek to pursue lawful purposes, but we issue no licenses granting immunity from arrest to those who violate our laws by their actions. Neither the cause nor the composition of any group of people frees them from their obligation as citizens."

The rabbis and ministers who were arrested at Tallahassee, 6/16/61, were released at 2:15 p.m., 6/17/61, upon payment of \$500 bond each. Trial has been set for 6/22/61 on the charges of unlawful assembly.

remained in Tallahassee while the remainder of the group departed by air at 3:55 p.m., 6/17/61. They returned to Newark, New Jersey, without further incident, however preparations were made to close Tallahassee airport facilities if they again attempted to use them before leaving.

With regard to the freedom riders who left Daytona Beach, Florida, 6/15/61, and arrived in Tampa, Florida, 6/16/61, this group returned to Daytona Beach in private automobiles on the night of 6/16/61.

has been quoted as saying that he was quite pleased with the reception which they received in Tampa. There were no incidents.

An informant advised on 6/17/61 that members of the De Land, Florida, Klavern, Florida Ku Klux Klan, were contemplating taking action because the freedom riders had been given full

access to restaurant facilities at the Daytona Beach bus depot. They were considering assembling a group of undesirable Negroes described as "jailbirds and alcoholics" to arrive at the Daytona Beach Greyhound bus terminal, Sunday morning, 6/18/61, between 10:00 a.m., and noon, at which time they would demand service at the terminal restaurant. This time was selected because a large number of churchgoers have coffee at the terminal during these hours. No such incident occurred.

Julius W. Hobson, President, Washington/Chapter, Congress of Racial Equality, advised that the next proposed trip of freedom riders originating at Washington is scheduled to depart 6/21/61. He stated this will consist of a small group from New York City, two people from Philadelphia and two from Washington, D. C. They will travel by regularly scheduled bus but it has not yet been determined whether they will go by Trailways or by Greyhound, nor was Hobson able to furnish their destination.

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### FREEDOM FIGHTERS

The June 15, 1961, "St. Petersburg Independent," a daily newspaper, St. Petersburg, Fla., has an article reporting that American Legion Post No. 14, St. Petersburg, Fla. has asked for a "Federal investigation of a Florida man who sent 'telegrams' naming President KENNEDY and other top Americans as Red conspirators." A telegram accusing KENNEDY, EISENHOWER, and cabinet members with conspiring with a secret Red group in New York to stir up racial trouble through Freedom Riders was sent to the post by GEORGE E. DEATHERAGE of Satsuma, Fla.

The article further reported that J. PARNELL THOMAS, 1948-49 Chairman of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, now living in St. Petersburg and active in Post No. 14, to counter DEATHERAGE's program, on June 15, asked FRANCIS WALTER of the HCUA to check DEATHERAGE's background and sources of income for sending similar telegrams over the South.

DEATHERAGE'S telegram was addressed to Gov. JOHN PATTERSON, Montgomery, Ala., and urged PATTERSON to "stick to your guns," referring to methods of handling recent Negro and White freedom riders, etc.

THOMAS is quoted in the article as a stating that DEATHERAGE has sent copies of his telegram to various veterans groups and organizations throughout St. Petersburg and the South. Post No. 14 spokesmen stated the telegram would "divide Americans and provoke racial disorders."

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### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of:	SA		Officer NE	W ORLEANS
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Equality (CORE), advised that a group of Freedom Riders would leave St. Louis, Missouri, June 6, 1961 about noon, via airlines for Jackson, Mississippi. He had no further details concerning this group.

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the fol	Information concerning this matter was furnished to lowing individuals on June 6, 1961by SA
: ,	Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi.
	Colonel T. B. BIRDSONG, Commissioner, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, Jackson, Mississippi.
	CIC, Jackson, Mississippi.
	Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi.

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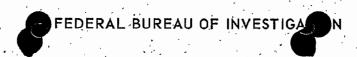
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Delta Airlines Flight #465 from St. Louis, Missouri to Jackson, Mississippi arrived at 4:55 PM CST.

Of the passengers who alighted from this plane, one Negro male was observed to enter the Terminal Building, walk toward the white men's restroom where he stopped near the door, then turned and retraced his steps into the vaiting room. He stopped, turned and walked back to the white men's restroom where he began to enter the door. At this point, Captain Jackson Police Department, was observed to speak to the Negro male and after a short time, the Negro male left in the custody of another officer walking in the direction of the main entrance of the terminal.

A Negro female who had alighted from this plane was observed to enter the Terminal Building and walk to the white women's restroom. As she reached the door of the restroom, Captain of the Jackson Police Department was observed to speak to her and shortly thereafter she left the Terminal in the custody of another officer.

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The following was observed at the Jackson Municipal Airport, Jackson, Mississippi, June 7, 1981.

Delta Airlines Flight #465 arrived at the Airport at 4:59 PM. The passengers from this plane walked to the lobby of the Airport Terminal.

One of the individuals who entered the lobby was a Negro male approximately 5' tall. He walked toward the direction of the ticket counter. There was then observed a Negro female entering the lobby about 5' 6" in height and she too walked toward the ticket counter.

Several minutes after this time a Negro male, approximately 5' 10" tall entered the lobby, stood in the entrance then walked toward the restaurant to the left. The restaurant is listed as Cicero's Airport Restaurant. This Negro male hesitated, then entered this restaurant, and sat down at a table.

ment, in uniform, was seen to say something to the individual in the restaurant, which was not heard. The Negro male then got up and walked out of the restaurant accompanied by two or three police officers. He was walked to the front of the airport and sat in a police car there as directed for several minutes until a Police Patrol Wagon drove up to the car and the Negro male got in the Patrol Wagon.

There appeared to be about two or three people in the restaurant when the individual entered, and these appeared to be employees.

Nothing which appeared to be an incident was observed to happen and the police officers present appeared to have no equipment other than the usual sidearms.

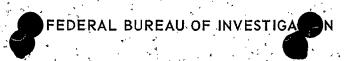
It is estimated that about twenty minutes passed from the time the Negro male arrived at the airport, and the time he was put in the Patrol Wagon.

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The following is the content of Mississippi Code Section 2087.5:

Disorderly conduct -- may constitute felony, when.

- 1. Whoever with intent to provoke a breach of the peace, or under circumstances such that a breach of the peace may be occasioned thereby:
- (1) crowds or congregates with others in or upon shore protecting structure or structures, or a public street or public highway, or upon a public sidewalk, or any other public place, or in any hotel, motel, store, restaurant, lunch counter, cafeteria, sandwich shop, motion picture theatre, drive-in, beauty parlor, swimming pool area, or any sports or recreational area or place, or any other place of business engaged in selling or serving members of the public, or in or around any free entrance to any such place of business or public building, or to any building owned by another individual, or a corporation, or a partnership or an association, and who fails or refuses to disperse and move on, or disperse or move on, when ordered so to do by any law enforcement officer of any municipality, or county, in which such act or acts are committed, or by any law enforcement officer of the State of Mississippi, or any other authorized person, or
- (2) insults or makes rude or obscene remarks or gestures, or uses profane language, or physical acts, or indecent proposals to or toward another or others, or disturbs or obstructs or interferes with another or others, or
- (3) while in or on any public bus, taxicab, or other vehicle engaged in transporting members of the public for a fare or charge, causes a disturbance or does or says, respectively, any of the matters or things mentioned in subsection (2) supra, to, toward, or in the presence of any other passenger on said vehicle, or any person outside of said vehicle or in the process of boarding or departing from said vehicle, or any employee engaged in and about the operation of such vehicle, or
- (4) refusing to leave the premises of another when requested so to do by any owner, lessee, or any employee thereof, shall be guilty of disorderly conduct, which is made a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a

fine of not more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00), or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than four (4) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment; and if any person shall be guilty of disorderly conduct as defined herein and such conduct shall lead to a breach of the peace or incite a riot in any of the places herein named, and as a result of said breach of the peace or riot another person or persons shall be maimed, killed or injured, then the person guilty of such disorderly conduct as defined herein shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction such person shall be imprisoned in the Penitentiary not longer than ten (10) years.

- 2. The provisions of this act are supplementary to the provisions of any other statute of this state.
- 3. If any paragraph, sentence, or clause of this act shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect any other part, portion or provision of this act, but such other part shall remain in full force and effect.

On June 14, 1961,

County Sheriff's Office, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that

Missouri,
had been released on \$500 cash appeal bond that date. He said
she had advised she was catching a 7:40 PM airline flight to
St. Louis, Missouri on June 14, 1961.

On June 15, 1961, Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds
County, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that on June 15, 1961
had been transferred from the Hinds County Jail to the Mississippi State
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'Following is the text of a telegram which was sent to the Attorney General by Governor Hollings:

"South Carolina deplores violence and will protect all citizens. However, while investigating incidents of violence involving self-styled 'Freedom Riders,' respectfully request 'Freedom Riders' be investigated to determine their record of disobecience to law and order as evidence of premeditation of breach of public peace. One arrested in South Carolina, i.e., James Douglas Pêck, official in Congress of Racial Equality and editor of CORE newspaper Corelator, has record of eight arrests, including draft-dodging, disorderly conduct, picketing, embassy, trespassing Nevada Test Site, and contempt of court."

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10	b7C Tolson
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TO : Mr. Belmont	DATE: June 16, 1961
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